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Economists should wake up and see the real world

by Sharon Bennett

Some students at UVic have sent out a wake-up call to the Economics Department: come down from your abstract models and see the concrete effects you're having in the real world.

The group staged a teach-in Wednesday, March 20, to spark debate about the role of social justice issues in the economics curriculum.

"Neoclassical economics is leading society down a dead end path," said teach-in organizer Tiffany Wainwright. "We are challenging the economics department to teach new theory in economics that asserts that the Earth, communities, and women matter," she said.

The event was organized in the spirit of 1960's teach-ins, when a powerful student movement played an active role for social change. The event prompted intense debate, and the multi-purpose room was filled to capacity most of the day.

The day opened with a smudging ritual lead by Spencer Rowe, an Ojibwe student from Ontario, who captured the essence of the criticisms of neoclassical economics. "I'm not an economics student. What I can tell you is that hundreds of years ago my ancestors were given a nice shiny pair of boot laces, a ball of twine, and a steel pot and then poof! There goes Ontario. This is economics to me. There's always winners and losers in economics," he said.

But it wasn't only students who wanted to shake up conventional economic paradigms. Labour unions, advocacy groups, alternative trade organizations, and a number of different UVic faculties also participated.

Tom Green, a Masters student studying ecological economics, helped organize the teach-in. He objects to the way traditional economics is divorced from any recognition of sustainability.

"As economists, we can only look at efficiency. We have nothing to say about whether it should be sustainable or not. Well I don't buy that. I think that's imposing value judgments that are just unacceptable," he said.

Cracking open the division of economics from other disciplines, like ecology, feminism and political science, proved to be the challenge of the day, and one that met with some stiff resistance.

Economics Professor Peter Kennedy was the sole member of his department to participate as a panelist. He defended neoclassical economics as "the sensible paradigm" for allocating resources most efficiently, but he agreed that more attention should be paid to how wealth is distributed in society. "The economist would say that's not something to be decided by economists," he said. Instead Kennedy said it is up to "some sort of voting mechanism."

Political Science Professor Radhika Desai disagreed. "In the real world, politics and economics are always terribly intertwined," she said. "Economists ignore it at their peril."

Teach-in organizer Tiffany Wainwright said that by avoiding issues of politics and justice in their models, economists evade responsibility for real suffering.

"Economists say that if a policy is implemented or an action taken and five people benefit from it and two people are worse off for it then good has been created," Wainwright said. "There's no natural mechanism in economics that makes that happen, no invisible hand for redistribution in economics," she said.

Many panelists argued that the harm caused by the neoclassical models targets the groups that are not incorporated into the curriculum.

Professor Michele Pujol pointed out that women's experiences, when considered at all by the economics curriculum, tend to be ghettoized into courses about "women and the economy" instead of being integrated into models.

Pujol is cross-appointed as both a Women's Studies and Economics professor, but said she doesn't teach any economics classes, and has never been asked to supervise any directed studies or Masters students. The department at UVic doesn't offer any courses focused on women.

"Feminist economics is a relatively new field," said Malcolm Rutherford, economics department chair. "We don't currently offer a course in feminist economics, but one member of our department is doing work on household economics," he said.

When asked if he was referring to Pujol, Rutherford responded that no, Pujol was in Women's Studies. He acknowledged that she was cross-appointed but "Women's Studies is her home department." ❑

Dr. Radhika Desai addresses the audience of the Real World Economics Teach-In.

Andrew Lupton photo

March through bar draws mixed reaction

by Meesha-chan Grubisic

A March 21 confrontation between approximately 200 anti-racism demonstrators and campus pub security has raised questions about protest methods in student space.

Following the completion of the Elimination of Racism rally, organized by the Women of Colour Collective and the United Coalition Against Racism, protesters marched on several locations to draw attention to campus race issues. Demonstrators went to David Strong's office, the Faculty Club, the Political Science Department, the University Centre and finally the Student Union Building.

The marchers walked through the building with megaphones and placards, and attempted to enter Felicita's, the campus pub, where security staff member Matt Fraser was on duty. Fraser would not let them enter, and a physical confrontation ensued.

To avoid any further conflict, beverage-services division manager John Fitterer agreed to let the protesters march through the bar. "I would have been much happier if I had been approached beforehand," Fitterer commented.

"A woman said there were more of them than there was of me and they would come in if they wanted to," Fraser said after the incident. "When I informed her that they couldn't all come in right away she said that they didn't have to show identification and we couldn't stop them."

"It's very obvious that racism is alive and well in the SUB today," march organizer Amal Rana said after entering Felicita's. Fraser said denying the protesters entrance had nothing to do with racism. He based his decision on liquor laws and fire codes.

"The liquor laws state that each person must show ID proving they are over 19 years of age," he said. "The fire codes state that Felicita's occupant load is 195. We already had 150 persons in the bar during the lunch-time rush. The number of people in the rally would have pushed the number of people in the bar well over 190."

However, Meharoona Ghani, one of the main organizers of the rally, said the marchers had a right to enter the pub.

"We asked twice to come in, and then asked them why not?" Ghani said. "The bar is student space."

Ghani said rally organizers had the 'Lesbian Avengers' present "to make sure there were no problems. Basically they were our security."

"A Lesbian Avenger came up to talk to security, and they started to push her," she said. "A second Lesbian Avenger came up, also to talk to them. Then the Lesbian Avengers turned their backs to the bar and told us to start pushing.

"We pushed both Lesbian Avengers to get through," she said.

Reaction from pub patrons was mixed.

"I was quite embarrassed by the incident," said Steve Yung, a third-year Sociology and Environmental Studies major. "They're fighting the hate with hate. It was quite disturbing — they were trying to raise awareness, but the message they got across was negative."

"The way they came in here put a lot of people on the defensive, creating anger not communication," said Anthea Johnson, an Education student.

A student in Child and Youth Care said she agreed with the goals of the protest, but didn't approve of the methods.

"Trying to eliminate racism is a very good cause, but the loudspeakers were aggressive and inappropriate," she said. "It felt in my face and I felt it pushing me away. It was very fuck you."

"We have to band together to support each other's causes," she added. "Instead of yelling at me with megaphones, let me know how I'm being racist." ❑

Elimination of Racism Rally, March 21

Mary Vallis photo

Aboriginals must take a stronger interest in voting

by Geri Itterman

UVic student Beryl Parke launched the Aboriginal Registration Voter Campaign this January.

With voter registration cards in hand, Parke, a Haida woman from the Old Masset Village in the Queen Charlotte Islands, will leave on April 4 to travel to 32 electoral ridings throughout BC. She will complete the 18-day campaign in time for both the upcoming provincial election and her final exams at UVic.

Beryl Parke registers to vote.

Gord Parke photo

Since the campaign's inception, Parke and her husband have phoned, faxed and distributed leaflets to 250 First Nations organizations across the province. She believes First Nations have to take a stronger stand during the upcoming election to protect the recent progress achieved during treaty negotiations.

"We've made big strides from 1991 until now, even bigger strides since 1969," Parke said. "Aboriginal votes can swing a lot of the ridings."

In the 1991 election, Reform defeated the NDP by a margin of only 700 votes in the Prince George-Omenica, Peace River South, and Peace River North ridings. These ridings are a major focus for Parke, who believes a strong aboriginal vote in the provincial election expected this summer could change the 1991 outcome.

Parke takes a non-partisan approach — she has not received support from any party nor from the BC Minister of Aboriginal Affairs office, which declined an invitation to attend a fundraiser.

Parke will speak to the head chiefs of the province at the First Nations Summit on March 28. "Their support will boost the campaign," she said. She is disappointed so far by the lack of high-level support.

Parke's efforts are funded solely by donation and fundraising. Parke and her supporters have still to reach the half-way mark of their $6000 goal.

BC First Nations won the right to vote provincially in 1949, and federally in 1960. Elections BC does not keep records of voter background, so the exact rate of participation by First Nations is not known.

According to Parke, approximately 80 per cent of people living on reserves live below the poverty line.

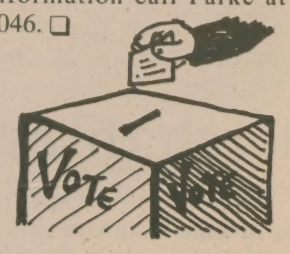
"I don't think on a day-to-day basis they're worried about who's sitting at a provincial level," she said. "A lot think 'why bother?' I want them to think, 'why not?' Let's show them we're concerned and that we care about what happens in BC."

The Haida woman also sees the campaign as an opportunity to "get women more vocal." Parke said First Nations women know they're the ones healing the communities, but few sit at band council tables.

"I try to encourage women to speak and to be active — to get up at the table, to let their voices be heard and to make a difference," she said.

Parke wants people to be aware that everybody, not only First Nations, have to become more involved and take a stronger interest in voting.

Parke will raise funds this week on campus by selling raffle tickets for a drum made by a Haida artist. The drum is valued at over $400. For further information call Parke at 381-1046. ❑



Midwifery negotiations need public input

by Barbara Barta

Options in pregnancy and childbirth care for BC families have yet to be delivered by the provincial government.

The current regulatory negotiations stage provides an opportunity for the public to convey changes they want included.

Since midwifery became legal in BC in November 1994, and the College of Midwives was appointed as the regulating board in March 1995, the provincial government has been approving midwifery care regulations.

Local apprentice midwife Heather Lee Hall anticipates many changes as midwifery care becomes part of our system.

"The first sprout is breaking through the earth," she said.

Currently, the College of Midwives is submitting bylaws to the Ministry of Health on standards of practice, education requirements and ethics.

The choice of a midwife-assisted birth depends on core funding. If the government prioritizes Medicare coverage and quality regulations, local midwifery services will be accessible to all.

Government funding is threatened by trends toward cutting services in health care, education and welfare. However, Victoria midwives and consumers are optimistic about the government's seeming commitment to fully funding midwifery care.

Midwifery is cost-effective, with a low rate of technological intervention and good prenatal health care. It means long-term cost effectiveness for healthy families. Louise Smith, of the Midwifery Task Force in Vancouver, said people have to look beyond high implementation costs when making midwifery services available.

Dani Thompson is a midwifery consumer. "We should have good information on midwife births and hospital births so you can make a choice that suits you as an individual instead of being filed through a system," Thompson said, adding, "[we need] way more support for the woman."

Aspiring midwife Jennifer Lloyd envisions changes to healthcare services where "well-woman care" would offer a full range of woman-centered information and care such as birth control, nutrition and screening. Birthing centers, another option for women, would provide a comfortable, family-centered birth place with hospital backup close by.

Home birth is another choice that could be available to any woman who is "low risk" and wishes to give birth in her own home. The provincial government Homebirth Demonstration Project is currently working out administrative kinks, breaking the medical establishment's monopoly on the place of birth.

An education program is another key step. For aspiring midwives anticipating a university undergraduate program, issues of accessibility arise.

Lloyd said it is important that "equal value is given to both theoretical classroom work and apprenticing with a community midwife."

Sharron Gibbs, midwifery advocate, identified shared concerns of accessibility, "philosophy; location and access; child care and family issues; finances; entry requirements and curriculum." ❑

This is your opportunity to consider what kind of healthcare you expect and to urge the provincial government and the College of Midwives to prioritize what's important to you.

Ministry of Health, Andrew Petter 387-5394.

Re: education program: Ministry of Education, Skills and Training, Paul Ramsey. Legislature Buildings, Victoria BC, V8V 1X4.

BC College of Midwives: F502-4500 Oak Street, Vancouver BC, V6H 3N1, tel: (604) 875-3580.

To get involved:the Midwifery Task Force, Lisa Lasagne 386-0984.

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After an extensive campus consultation process, UVic's Strategic Planning Task Force has prepared a draft strategic plan to guide the University over the next 10 years. It provides recommendations in nine key areas including—learning and teaching, research, environmental responsibility, library and information systems, and international and intercultural activities.

The task force is interested in your comments on the plan.
Does it address all the key strategic issues?
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Copies of the plan are available at the University Secretary's Office,
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Appeals to the UVSS continue after recent election

by Richard Carlson

Colin Brown flags the attention of UVSS board members.

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If the UVSS election campaign was dirty, it was nothing compared to the appeals now before the UVSS over the director-of-academics and finance races.

In the director-of-academics race, where Kelly Sundberg defeated Sarah Burgess by only two votes, the race may become even tighter.

At a tense Monday meeting, the UVSS Board of Directors overturned a decision by the electoral committee to consider unstamped ballots spoiled. The electoral committee is made up of three board members, chairperson Tina Walker, and directors at large Lisa Jepp and Tathra Street.

According to UVSS procedure, ballots were stamped by the electoral officers before going to the polls to ensure that no ballots were stuffed at the boxes. As in the past, this year's unstamped ballots were considered spoiled.

In a race as tight as academics, these ballots could easily change the outcome.

The appeal launched by Burgess claimed poll sitters were not instructed by the electoral officers to make sure all ballots were stamped. The decision to exclude unstamped ballots was based on precedent; there are no rules specifying how a ballot is declared spoiled.

Burgess gave a written appeal to the board outlining her concerns. In it she stated that the board "has two choices: conduct a recount of all ballots cast (including unstamped ones)... or declare the election null and void and start the process anew."

Burgess said she will take legal action if the unstamped ballots are not included. "Please don't take this as a threat, however, I will not allow my rights as candidate, woman and feminist to be trod upon," Burgess said.

Will Stacey, director at large and scrutineer for Burgess at the ballot count, was also against rejecting the ballots. "I think it is reprehensible that students cast a ballot that is ignored," he said.

When the ballots were being counted, Stacey said the unstamped ones were from different boxes and for different candidates — proof that it was not a deliberate ballot-stuffing campaign.

Tom Sluchinski, chief electoral officer, does not think unstamped ballots should be considered. "The ballots were stamped for a reason and everyone was there when they were stamped," said Sluchinski.

Due to conflict of interest, four candidate board members could not vote on the motion to recount all ballots. The outcome was three in favour, three against. Walker, as chair, can only vote to break a tie. She voted to include the ballots in the recount.

Both Walker and Street voted against their initial recommendations as members of the Electoral Committee.

Walker would not comment on her decision. Sundberg said he will seek legal action to challenge the decision.

In the controversial director of finance election, the results will not be known for at least another week. The Electoral Committee overturned the judgment of the electoral officers and disqualified candidate Tim McGuire. McGuire ran with the "Putting Students First" slate.

He was disqualified for an e-mail message sent out to commerce students the day before polling started. Campaigning is not allowed once polling begins, and many did not receive the message until polling was underway.

McGuire said he will appeal his disqualification at the next board meeting. No ballots for finance, academics or directors at large will be recounted until after the appeals are completed. ❑

Welfare residency requirements also hurt British Columbians

by Sharon Bennett

Christiane Nadeau has lived in Victoria for the past 15 years. She has a BC driver's license, and BC Medical coverage. But our government will not give her welfare because they say she is not a resident of British Columbia.

"Now they've rejected my appeal and they've closed my file and sent me to hell."

Nadeau spent the last year in Alberta, and came back almost a month ago to be close to her kids. But because of BC's new residency requirement, which withholds assistance from people who have been here for three months or less, she is not eligible for any kind of assistance. Nadeau has been living at Streetlink for over two weeks.

"Right now I'm appealing with the welfare system [but] I gave up today, anyway," said Nadeau. "Now they've rejected my appeal and they've closed my file and sent me to hell."

The residency requirement came into effect on December 1, 1995, in an attempt by the provincial government to discourage refugees from Ontario and Alberta from coming to BC.

The move signifies the province's reaction to the federal government's off-loading of responsibility for social programs. Bill C-76, which goes into effect on April 1, lumps federal payments for social programs into a bloc transfer. Now provinces can decide for themselves how to divide shrinking funds between health care, post-secondary education, and social services.

"The provinces now have this freedom but they no longer have the resources," said Rod Dobell, professor of Public Administration at UVic.

The new transfer, called the Canada Health and Social Transfer (CHST), signifies the end of national standards for welfare. It replaces the Canada Assistance Plan (CAP), which guaranteed the right to receive adequate financial assistance, based on need. Theoretically, the CHST protects the right to social assistance regardless of the period of residence in the province. The action taken by the government of BC contravenes this principle.

Action Victoria, a coalition of groups and individuals representing diverse political bents, is committed to defending social justice issues. The group has declared this week "Farewell Canada Assistance Plan Week," culminating in a day of action Monday, April 1.

"It's part of a national day of action against the CHST," said AV-member mac flatt-scott. "We're protesting the cutting of funding to the provinces, and the end of rights at the federal level for people on welfare.

"We're going to take people on a tour of the downtown of Victoria and talk about the corporations and banks that aren't paying their fair share of taxes."

A week of events is scheduled, including the "Queers and Cuts Coffeehouse" on Friday, March 29, at the Fernwood Community Association, and the Anti-Capitalist Festival, featuring workshops, music and a free store on Saturday.

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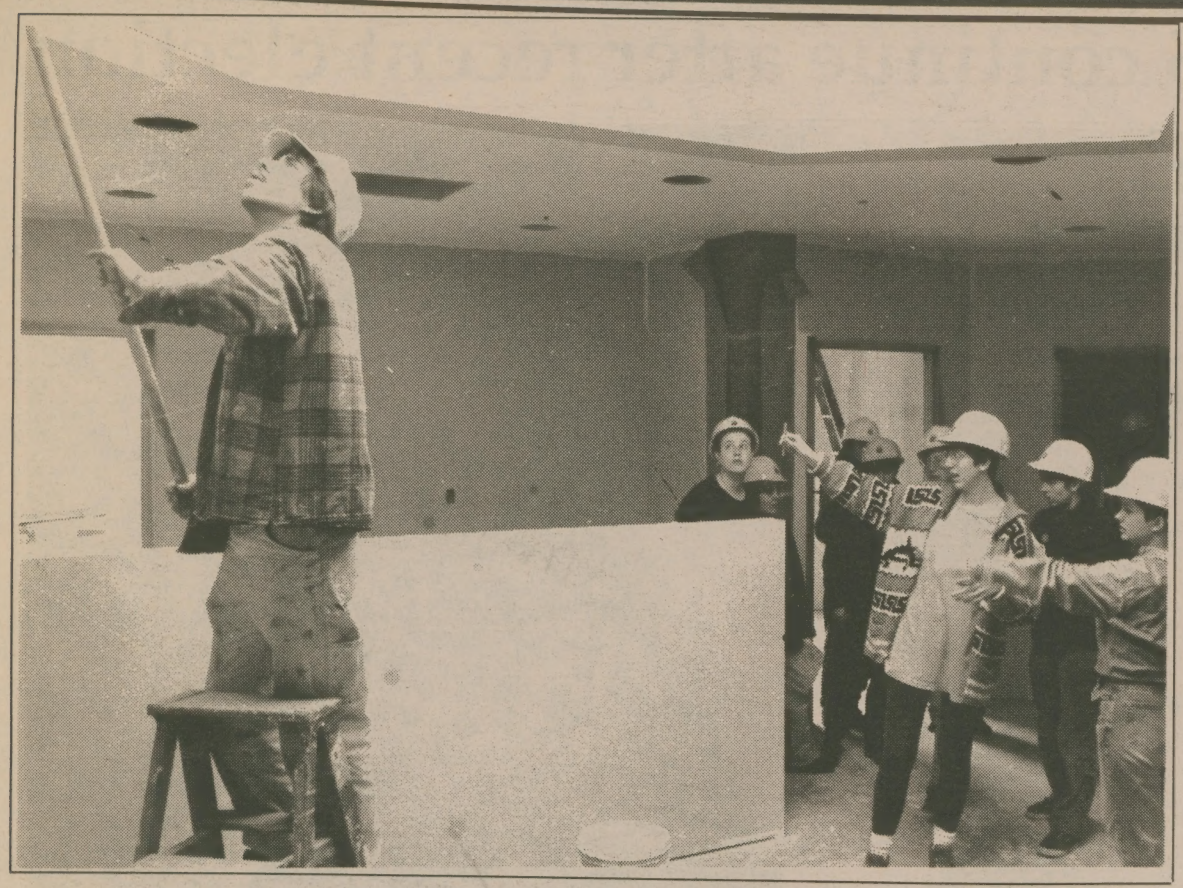

Director of services Theresa Sabourin points to where a painter missed a spot at the new SUB.

David Connell photo

SUB may be seeing red

by Jeff Kirk

If the SUB fails to break even this year, the loss in profits will be added to an estimated $240,000 debt for the Student's Society. Looking back on total profits at the end of January, the Student Union Building was roughly $166,000 short of a projected $377,000 profit.

"We'll be lucky to break even this year," said Ian Flemington, UVSS director of finances.

The UVSS predicted $337,000 in total sales; actual sales were higher, at about $345,000. A breakdown of current SUB services shows that all are meeting projected sales and profits — except for food services. The UVSS budgeted for $25,000 in profits with food services, but is now showing a $26,000 deficit. This calls into question where money is being spent, and whether the new SUB management structure is really all that effective.

"It's not because students aren't buying," Flemington said. "If you compare the old SUB to the new SUB, our services almost increased five-fold and employees have doubled. We're doing well. It's frustrating for me, if we had some of the cost controls we're using now in the old SUB there would have been a greater potential to save money."

The UVSS has a constant tension between advocating services for students and actually having to provide them. It takes a hands-off approach towards everyday business operations, but the building has to implement the political goals of the Students' Society.

A UVSS labour-management committee meets with union representatives on a regular basis to hash out issues.

"The union has input so the interests of the students in the building are met." said Theresa Sabourin, director of services.

Pam Ness, assistant manager at Felicita's and vice-president of the Steelworker's Local Union, doesn't see it the same way. Ness is upset with the BoD's actions concerning the Bridgehead coffee decision and the decision to pass over Tom Sluchinski's application for the chief-electoral officer position. (See Union and BoD clash over electoral officer hiring, the Martlet, February 8.)

"The BoD caters to a small group of people and does not represent the interests of the students at large by making unfair political decisions and abusing hiring practices in the SUB," she said.

Flemington said he can understand why Ness is upset. "It would be easier if they [Divisional Managers] had more control over their services," Flemington said.

Next year, a SUB operations input committee will probably be created to gather information and represent the interests of students in the SUB.

"I think the students should run the SUB. We pay for it. You could hire more students to run the building and it would cost students a lot less and give them more experience," said Dan Klinka, a UVic student.

Divisional manager salaries range from $25,000 to $35,000. About $160,000 is paid in salaries to divisional managers and the UVSS Administrative Co-ordinator.

One idea is that the SUB could streamline current operations with students directly involved in decision-making.

Student Mark Eikland said, "Why not job sharing? Students could do it part-time and maintain continuity and consistency of operations. Out of 14,000 students, some have to be qualified to do the job," Eikland said.

Currently, students wages at the SUB start at $7.15 an hour. Wages have not increased proportionately with the rise in the minimum wage since the last contract negotiation between the UVSS and the Steelworkers Union.

Ross McKinnon, administrative co-ordinator, and the UVSS Board of Directors face a challenge when negotiations begin for a new contract with the union this summer. The Steelworkers are waiting for the new BoD before starting negotiations.

"Wages will definitely be a key issue," Sabourin said. ❑

BC forests: an endangered species?

by Lisa Guglielmi

The forests of British Columbia might soon be added to the endangered species list, due to the rewriting of the Forest Practices Code.

"This [rewriting] flies in the face of the promises to enlarge forest protection through the Forest Practices Code, a promise made by the NDP in BC, the US, and Europe," said Colleen McCrory, an award-winning environmentalist with the Valhalla Wilderness Society. McCrory is disappointed that promises made by former premier Mike Harcourt, to reduce the annual cut in BC by 20 per cent, are not being kept.

Legal parts of the code are backed up by guidebooks, which interpret the law for regulatory agencies and logging companies. "It has always been a 'write-as-you-go-law,'" said McCrory. "Every provision that meant anything has a rider saying it can be waived at the discretion of District Managers in the Ministry of Forests."

Kristine Weese of Range Recreation and Forest Practices said the rewrites have nothing to do with catering to different groups. "It's just standard housekeeping to rewrite parts of legislation that was implemented a few years ago," said Weese. "It's appropriate to change the wording to make it user friendly."

The revisions to the code will open up scenic areas to more logging, allow more selective harvesting from stream-side zones, and put severe limits on biological diversity.

"The changes mean that citizens who want to preserve the scenery around their communities and who want watersheds protected are being run over to keep up BC's unsustainable rate of logging," said McCrory.

McCrory added that fish-bearing streams everywhere in BC will be sacrificed to logging company profits, which means wild salmon runs on the coast will continue to disappear. "In the end, it will mean a lost species, lost bio-diversity, lost scenery and a devastating blow to coming generations," she said. ❑

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Rez students pay for slugs

by Miko Ross

Residence students can thank vandals and thieves for the extra charges they will face this year. Conference Services has billed residence students for damage done to laundry facilities and for lost revenue resulting from the use of plastic and metal slugs in the washers and dryers.

So far, over $3,000 worth of damage has been done to coin slides alone. The revenue lost due to slugs amounts to nearly $1,600.

Housing, Food and Conference Services is an ancillary department of the university and as such receives no funding. Steve Fitterer, Manager of Residence Life and Assignments, said this means that the lost revenue must be made up somehow. He feels the fairest way to do this is to bill those who use the laundry facilities.

Lance Husoy, a student currently living in residence, presented a letter to housing from residents objecting to the charge. He said residents' "legal avenues of recourse are limited due to the University Act," which regulates on-campus housing instead of the Residential Tenancy Act. "I will not use the machines there," said Husoy. "It's the only recourse I have."

Husoy agrees that the situation with the laundry facilities is unfortunate, but he believes that it could have been better handled. "There was no warning issued and no evidence presented as to damage and theft," he said.

"Our intention was to make students aware of the severity of the problem," said Fitterer.

Speed Queen Washer and Dryer Service, the company that owns and services the machines, has a revenue-sharing agreement with the university. Both parties feel that this arrangement is being jeopardized by the unforeseen costs of vandalism and theft on campus.

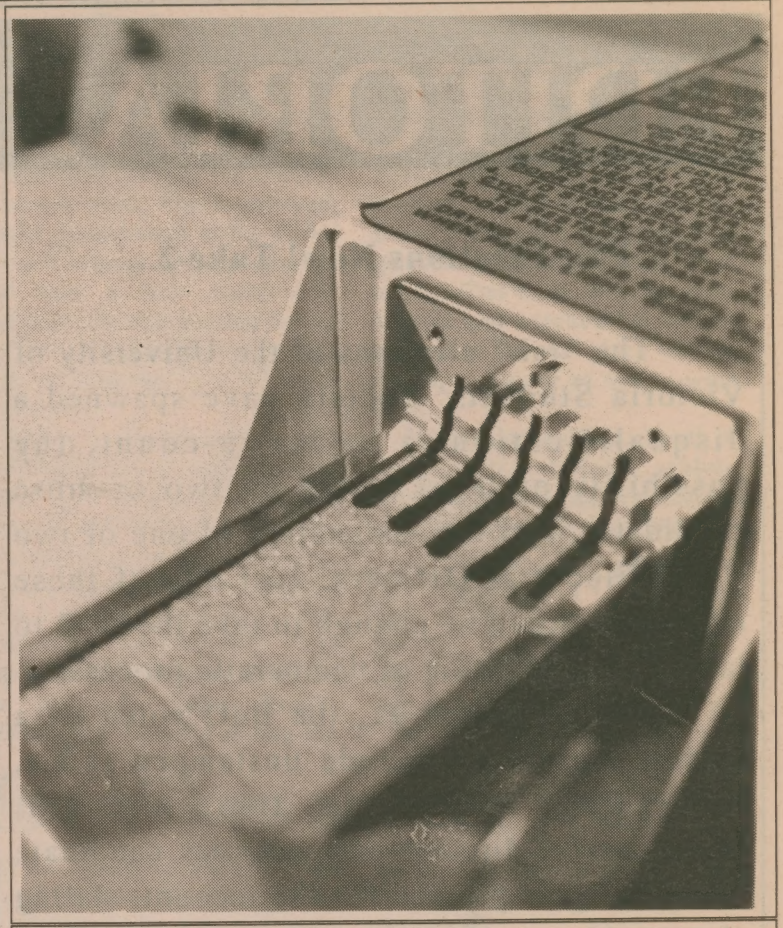
"A lot of militant signs have gone up and the consensus seems to be that we are making a lot of money from this. That's not true. The university is collecting the larger share of the revenue," said Scott Finlayson, a representative of the company.

Husoy said the general impression in residence is that prices are going up and the service is declining. Some residents also suspect they will be paying to have the machines fitted with coin slides that accommodate two dollar coins, he said.

Finlayson said there is no plan to change the slides to take the two dollar coins.

"Students are basically stealing from themselves, and if it continues, criminal charges will be laid. We can't continue to operate under these circumstances," he said.

Fitterer hopes that the problem will stop. "We've met with students and we're prepared to meet again to discuss options and solutions."❑



Looney or slug?

Andrew Lupton photo

Campus press opens door for tobacco advertising

by Joel Casselman

Canadian University Press (CUP) student papers are divided over the return of tobacco advertisements.

In 1989, the Canadian Government ruled that tobacco advertisements were illegal under the Tobacco Products Control Act. The Supreme Court of Canada recently struck down the ruling as being unconstitutional.

One of the first university papers to run an ad was the University of Waterloo *Imprint* at the beginning of March. Staff at the University of Windsor's *Lance* also voted to allow tobacco advertisements.

The University of Ottawa *Fulcrum* set a policy of not accepting tobacco ads right after the Supreme Court decision in October.

Cheryl Clark, editor of the *Lance*, is puzzled that papers like the *Fulcrum* run advertisements from beer companies but not tobacco companies. She said they are "the same thing."

"We thought it was censorship to not run tobacco ads" said Clark.

At the University of Western Ontario *Gazette*, editor Gillian Livingston said they could not justify boycotting the ads, as university students are adults and can make lifestyle choices.

Dr. Terry Polevoy, chair of PATSY, an anti-tobacco advertising lobby group feels the issue is not free speech, but abuse of power by an industry that cares little for the lives of people.

Polevoy said because tobacco endangers everyone it touches, both directly and indirectly, it's a shame that ad revenue takes priority at some campus papers.

"I think the overwhelming majority of university students and staff have written against the tobacco ads," he said. "Leadership should be taken by all university papers to voluntarily refuse all tobacco ads immediately."

Samer Muscati, Ottawa correspondent for CUP, said it is ironic that student newspapers were accepting tobacco advertisements while publications such as the *Globe & Mail* and *Maclean's* were boycotting them.

Last Thursday, staff members at the Carleton University *Charlatan* (Muscati's paper) voted overwhelmingly in favour of accepting the advertisements for financial reasons. The full-colour ads will generate as much as $12, 000 in additional revenue, according to Jill Perry, *Charlatan* business manager.

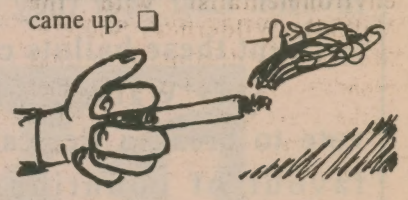
At present, the *Martlet* has not received any tobacco advertisements. Michael Butterfield, a director at Campus Plus, CUP's national student-newspaper advertising agency, said, "we are not pursuing cigarette advertisers and my personal opinion is that cigarette advertisers would be out of their minds to try and advertise on university campuses. Most universities have cigarettes on a boycott list."

RJR Macdonald Inc., which produces Export "A" cigarettes, has approached the student press through Campus Plus. The Campus Network, another national advertising firm for student newspapers, has also received offers from a tobacco company.

"Clearly this is a market they want," said Katherine Stewart, director of services for Campus Network. "People smoke at universities, we all know that," she said.

Heather Selin, policy consultant for the Non-Smokers' Rights Association in Canada, said it is disappointing that campus papers may end up leading the way for tobacco advertising in this country.

Jess Howard, *Martlet* advertising director, said that the *Martlet's* boycott policy does not officially cover tobacco advertisements, but that it could do so with a staff vote if the issue came up. ❑



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EDITORIAL

Fair Elections Now! Take 2...

The "fair" elections of the University of Victoria Students' Society have spawned a disqualification, a ballot re-count, the possibility of legal action by two or more candidates, and the resignation of one of two Chief Electoral Officers. Just one of these incidents should be enough to take the BoD to task on its definition of democratic process.

But on March 21, the BoD voted by a narrow margin to include unstamped (a.k.a. SPOILED) ballots in their recount. Unsuccessful director-of-academics candidate Sarah Burgess pressed for the recount, stating she would not allow her rights as a candidate and a feminist to be trod upon.

It would be nice if being a feminist was mandatory for election candidates. But unstamped ballots have nothing to do with feminism, and everything to do with procedure.

The backs of election ballots are stamped each year as a safeguard against ballot-stuffing. According to the UVSS, poll-sitters this year were not informed that unstamped ballots would be considered invalid. Last year they were told. The decision to count these ballots contradicts precedent.

Tina Walker, who, as chair, can only vote to break a tie, cast the deciding vote in favour of counting unstamped ballots. Walker's vote contradicted a report she co-authored as a member of the electoral committee, stating ballots should not be recounted. Committee member and director-at-large Tathra Street also opposed her own recommendation.

Their justification is that no definition of a spoiled ballot exists in UVSS electoral policy. One has to wonder: shouldn't precedent count for something? And had the "feminist" candidate in question been elected, would the BoD even entertain this issue?

The Funk and Wagnall's definition of democracy is "A form of government in which political power resides in all the people and is exercised by them directly (pure democracy) or is given to elected representatives (representative democracy), with each citizen sharing equally in political privilege and duty, and with her/his right to do so protected by free elections and other guarantees."

Reflecting on UVSS electoral practice, brings to mind a quotation from the *Animal Farm* guide to democracy, "All ballots are equal, but some [spoiled] ballots are more equal than others."

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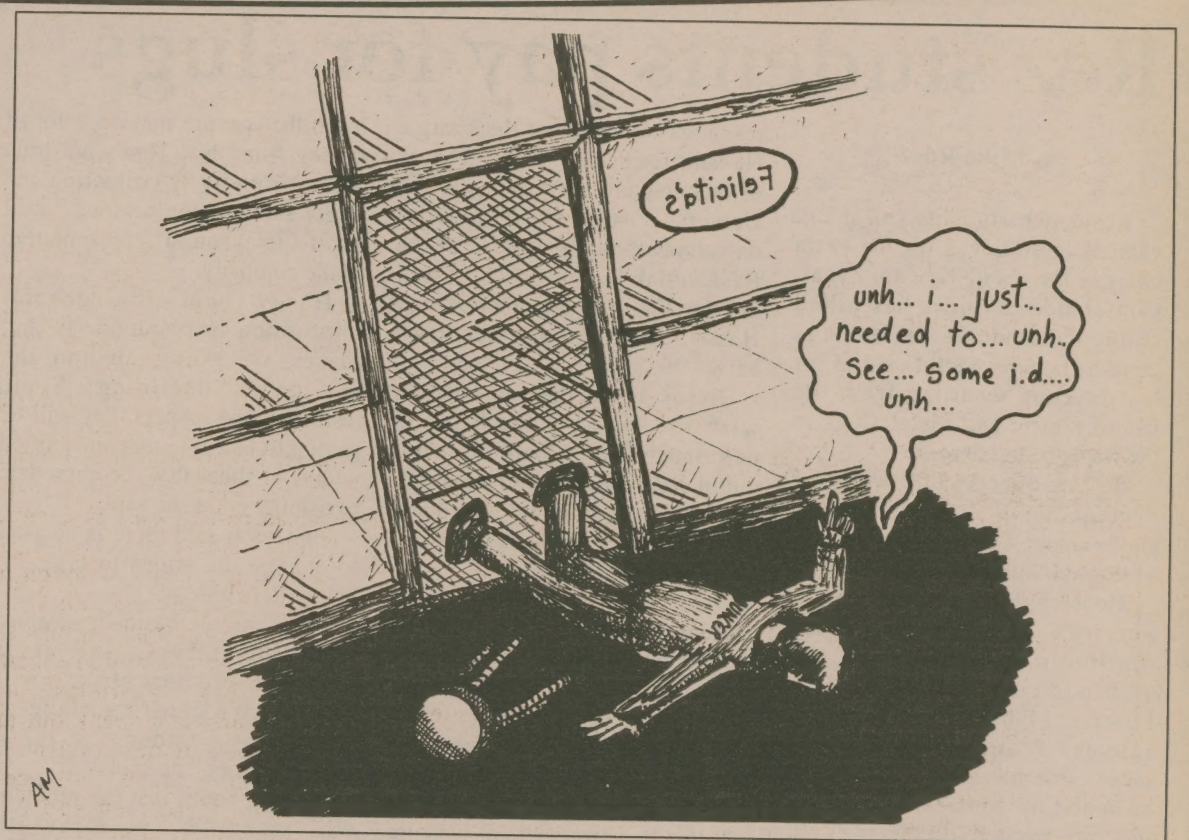

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Exploitation, not thinness, is morally wrong

Editors:

This letter refutes Susan Giles' absurd, sometimes incomprehensible letter to *the Martlet* (March 14 issue).

Says Giles, "I am tired of being told that my choice in clothing is entirely influenced by advertising."

Designer brand clothing typically has an inelastic demand because the need for the product is artificially produced through advertising. Consider Calvin Klein's shameless exploitation of the media with his calculated scandal several months ago. It immediately propelled the sales of his jeans.

Asks Giles, "Are you saying 'there's something morally wrong' with being thin?"

Given the number of innocents who die as a result of eating disorders like anorexia; the exorbitant amount of profit that the cosmetic, textile and other related industries make by proliferating an unobtainable ideal of beauty; and the drastic increase in recent years of the number of men who use and purchase cosmetic services, it is fair to state that the victimization extends beyond the parochial categories of thin and not thin. We are all subjugated — directly or indirectly — to the tyrannical, societal ideal of beauty.

Of course "being thin" is not morally wrong. It's exploitation that is!

Daniel Tsai

Advertisers target of protest

Editors:

I am writing in response to Susan Giles' editorial in the March 14 issue of *the Martlet*. For those who are unfamiliar with the Gap protest, allow me to enlighten you; at the Gap's store opening were myself and other protesters who disagreed with the Gap's advertising campaign in which an emancipated model was shown bearing the slogan "Just the Right Shape." In other words, any deviation from this anorexic shape would be considered the wrong size. Giles maintains that we were protesting against her and others like her because she is a slim person, and that we were inferring, to quote her that, "there's something wrong with being thin." This is not the case. It needs to be made clear our protest is not against slim people, but rather against the Gap and other advertisers like them and their similar ad campaigns. Countless women and men are trying to achieve this body type through artificial and detrimental means, such as compulsive over exercising, purging and starving. Giles' notion that advertising has no bearing upon an individual is just simply ludicrous; clearly, the millions of woman and men who suffer from eating disorders and body image distortion have been affected by the media's portrayal of the ideal body type.

Shona Renay Harasin

Goodbye standby?

Editors:

I just completed a rather disturbing call with Canadian Airlines. They have decided to eliminate the Youth Standby rates for passengers. It is rather unfortunate that they have decided to do this, as there is a large market of students such as myself who appreciate the convenience of flight, but would be unable to use it if the rates skyrocket.

Canadian's justification for the decision is that students can obtain fares through seat sales and whatnot. This may be true for more frequently traveled routes like Vancouver to Calgary or Toronto to Vancouver. However, I know for a fact that many of the U.Vic. students from the interior would NEVER see a seat sale that would even come close to the very low student standby rate that we currently pay. For example: it currently costs $253.00 return to fly student standby to me home in Prince George, as opposed to the $430.00 regular-fare excursion rate. I know that I will be much more willing to fly for two hours one-way on student standby than taking the bus, which would last upwards of fifteen hours and cost only a few dollars less.

Thankfully, Air Canada has decided to retain their student standby rates. However, with Canadian Airlines planning on eliminating student standby, you can bet your bottom dollar that Air Canada probably has it in mind. Therefore, it is essential that your voice is heard.

Mark Ian Karjaluoto

Be an ally

Editors:

To: those offended by Anti-racism week

I am one of number of people who helped organize and advertise anti-racism week. I am a white woman. It was an `in your face event' because issues of racism are internally and externally systemically ignored. Racism is inculturated and normalized to the point where the majority of people are unaware of their racism.

We are trying to get you to think about the relationship between racism and privilege.

Noise, misinformation, distraction, stress and fragmentation are some of the tools that colonize consciousness. The dissemination of war is a complex one. We carry it. The fighting that occurs within, is mirrored externally.

What were your feelings this week? Anger, fear, insecurity, guilt? Look at them! Really feel them. They are the places within you need to make peace with, to deeply understand. Peace does not come from ignoring! Peace means doing inner work. It is reconciling all the places, denials, and methods where we betray ourselves.

Maybe you felt uncomfortable for a couple of days, hours; people of colour deal with racism daily. Ignoring is not their option. Do your inner work, be an ally, the planet needs you.

Erin Mcgregor

Rally empowering

Editors:

I felt uncomfortable participating in the antiracism rally. Honestly, I had always seen racism as "their" battle, but hearing the emotion in the choked

The Martlet

Quote of the week:
"Maybe aliens came down and voted"
—Chief Electoral Officer Tom Sluchinski on the unstamped ballot situation.

• Still haven't killed each other •
Adrienne Gail Mercer
Miko Nico Ross
• She'll kill 'em both •
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voices of the speakers at the rally gave me clue as to the depth of pain experienced as a result of racism. I was challenged to confront how I had internalized racist values and experienced privilege based on my skin colour. During the march empowerment and solidarity grew among us. Confronted at the doors of Felicita's by several men who were "just doing their jobs I sensed of how it feels to have doors closed to you. I thought about stories of racial discrimination. When the woman at the megaphone said "they're refusing us access" I felt a deep rage that went far beyond the situation at hand. The wrong was transcendent. Breaking through became a symbolic gesture for many there. I experienced a sense of breakthrough. As the rally ended, I knew my work on racial issues was just beginning. Lily Walker an Australian Aboriginal woman said, "If you are here to help me then you are wasting your time. But if you came because your liberation is bound up in mine, then let us begin."

Sherry MacLeod

Posters sparked debate

Editors:

I felt the poster campaign organized by the United Coalition Against Racism during the Week for the Elimination of Racism was successful. The quotes are from an article entitled "Cultural Etiquette" by Amoja Three Rivers. It's important to recognize that not everyone will agree with the quotes. The posters were not created to be the "final word." The main objective of the campaign was to spark discussion about racism. Each individual related to the posters differently depending on their location. As a woman of colour I didn't perceive the posters negatively; the posters described my reality. It's time racism on this campus is addressed with direct action. How much longer are we going to "tiptoe" around racism with "nice" slogans such as "Let's stop racism?" Would you have debated and discussed with other students and professors about stopping racism? Would you have analyzed your own behaviour and your own perceptions of how you view others? To understand the context of the poster I suggest that you read the article by Amoja Three Rivers. If these posters disturb or anger you, ask yourself why.

Meharoona Ghani

Screaming just begun

Editors:

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize all of the people that participated in and supported the Anti-racism events on campus last week, especially the Rally and the March. Personally, last week's anti-racism events were a real turning point in my life. As a white woman participating in events, I finally realized that the battle against racism is as much my battle as anyone else's. I challenge other white members of the UVic community to examine their own attitudes and behaviours, and speak out and take action against racism. To quote ani difranco: "Silence is violence in women and poor people, if more people were screaming then I could relax." For myself, the screaming has just begun. Fight the power!

Julie Lewis

Take responsibility

Editors:

I am writing to express my appreciation for the week of anti-racist events planned by the United Coalition Against Racism. As a white woman on campus, I think its about time that white students, staff and faculty began taking responsibility for our own racism on campus. I was happy to have the chance to begin doing so by participating in the march, rally and other events that week. If anyone has doubts about whether racism is alive on campus, they only have to look at the reactionary racism that happened in response to the anti-racism march both in the Faculty Lounge and Felicita's to be assured that racism is alive and healthy on campus. I have also seen some of the backlash against the "For your Information" poster campaign around campus. Some people seem concerned that these posters create "an uncomfortable environment" for white people on campus.

anna swanson

Student Voice

As a progressive and active student at UVic, I was pleased to see the week of anti racism being promoted here. As I looked more closely at the posters, however, I realized that what was being promoted resembled hate-mongering. To say that only white people can be racist is a racist comment.

Racism is a prejudice against a person or group based on the colour of their skin or their cultural background. Saying that a person of colour cannot be racist is using the same kind of twisted logic which says that women cannot be sexist.

Both of these thing are patently untrue. What is true is that it is worse to exhibit racism if you have been subject to racism, as well as to be sexist if you have been subject to sexism.

It is worse because it is not born of ignorance but instead of pure malicious intent. We should know better.

The march which came through Felicita's is another example of this sort of twisted political agenda. The protesters were not allowed into the bar by security staff because they needed first to present valid I.D. The manager overrode this decision quickly. Had there been advance warning that they would be coming through, this would not have been a problem. The use of megaphones in a small room such as Felicita's was rude and unnecessary.

Finally, the comment that only three persons of colour could be seen in the bar was first wrong (I was working), and second presumptuous in assuming that everyone in the bar was of one racial background.

My heritage is no one's business but my own, but I am not 100 per cent white. I resent anyone presuming by my appearance that I am. I resent the presumption that the bar where I work is racist. I resent the fact that the posters up around the school give people license to make racist remarks about me.

Stop the hate.

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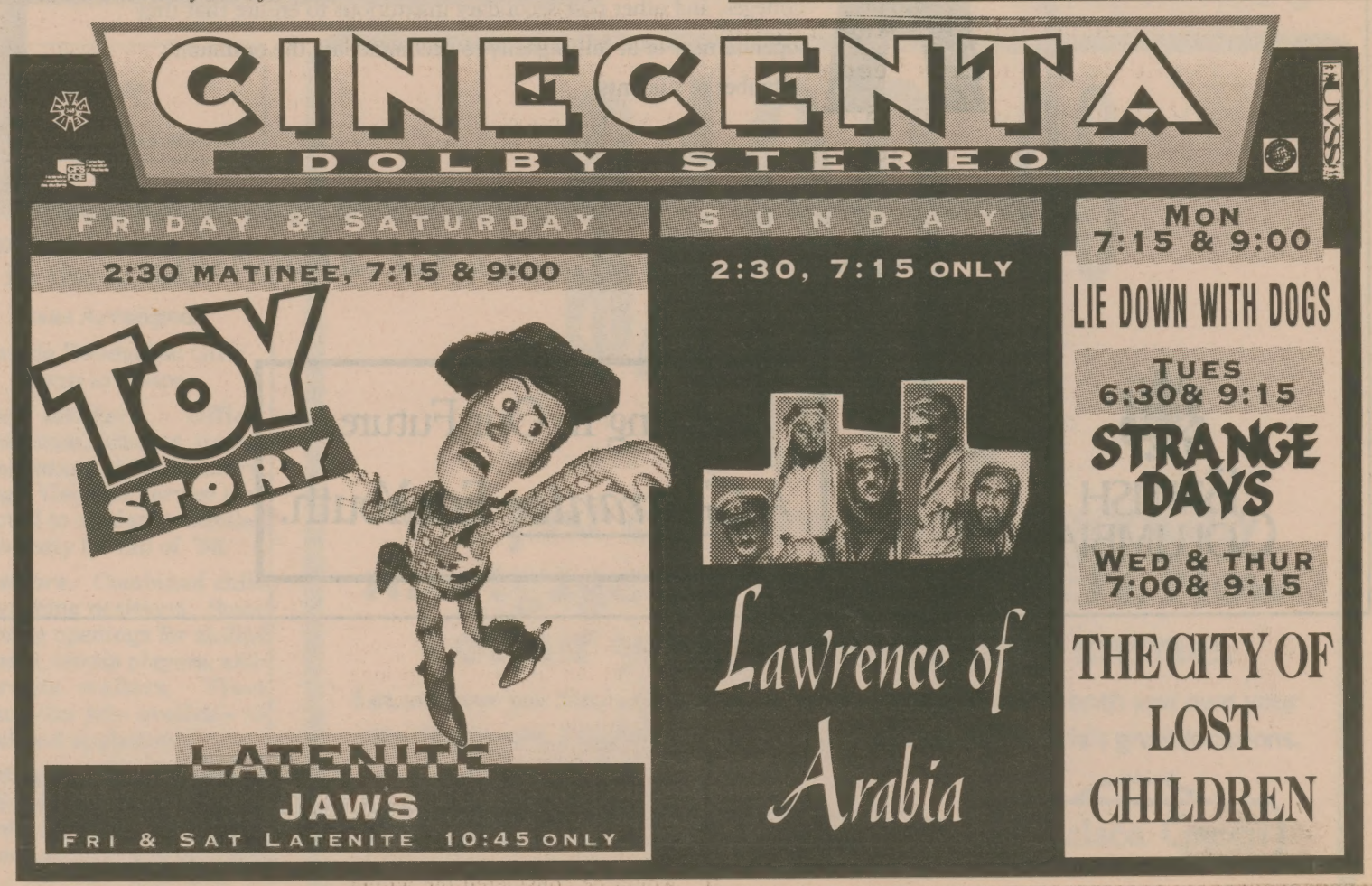

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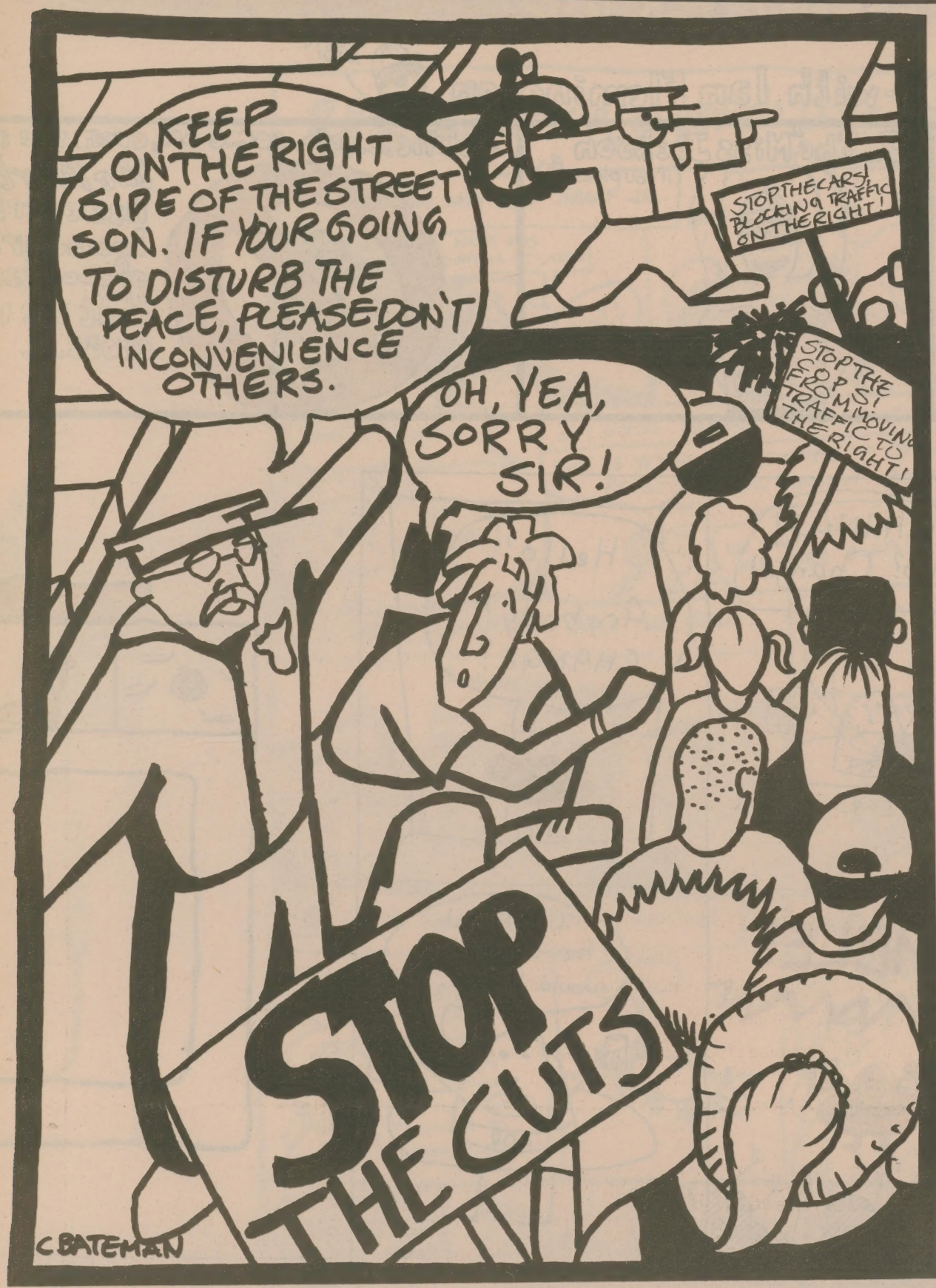
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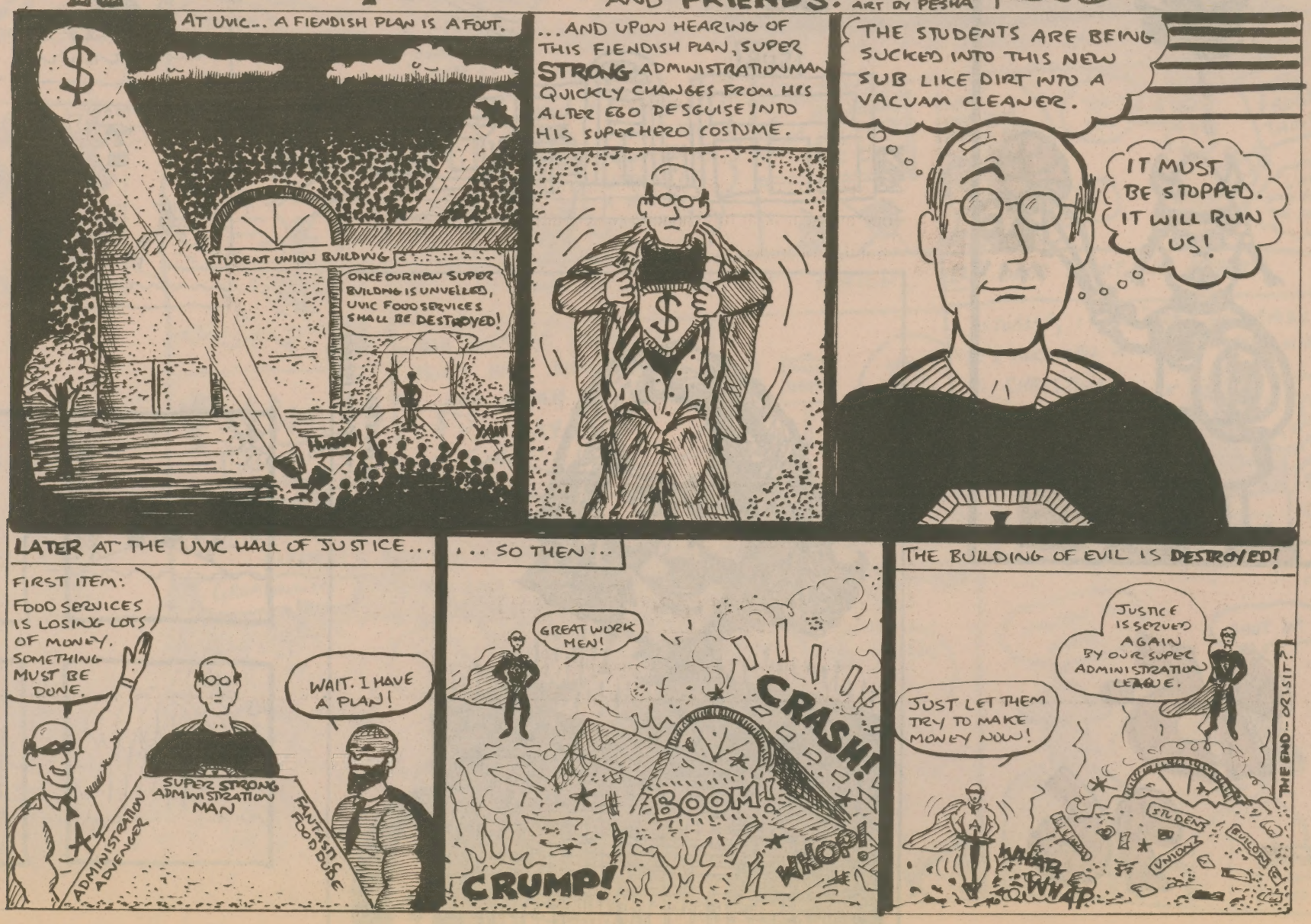
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STUDENT UNION BUILDING
ONCE OUR NEW SUPER BUILDING IS UNVEILED, UVIC FOOD SERVICES SHALL BE DESTROYED!
HAHAHA!
YAAH
...AND UPON HEARING OF THIS FIENDISH PLAN, SUPER STRONG ADMINISTRATION MAN QUICKLY CHANGES FROM HIS ALTER EGO DESGUISE INTO HIS SUPERHERO COSTUME.
THE STUDENTS ARE BEING SUCKED INTO THIS NEW SUB LIKE DIRT INTO A VACUAM CLEANER.
IT MUST BE STOPPED. IT WILL RUN US!
LATER AT THE UVIC HALL OF JUSTICE...
FIRST ITEM: FOOD SERVICES IS LOSING LOTS OF MONEY. SOMETHING MUST BE DONE.
WAIT. I HAVE A PLAN!
ADMINISTRATION ADVENGER
SUPER STRONG ADMINISTRATION MAN
FANTASTIC FOOD DUDE
... SO THEN...
GREAT WORK MEN!
CRASH!
BOOM!
WHOP!
CRUMP!
THE BUILDING OF EVIL IS DESTROYED!
JUSTICE IS SERVED AGAIN BY OUR SUPER ADMINISTRATION LEAGUE.
JUST LET THEM TRY TO MAKE MONEY NOW!
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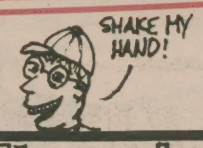

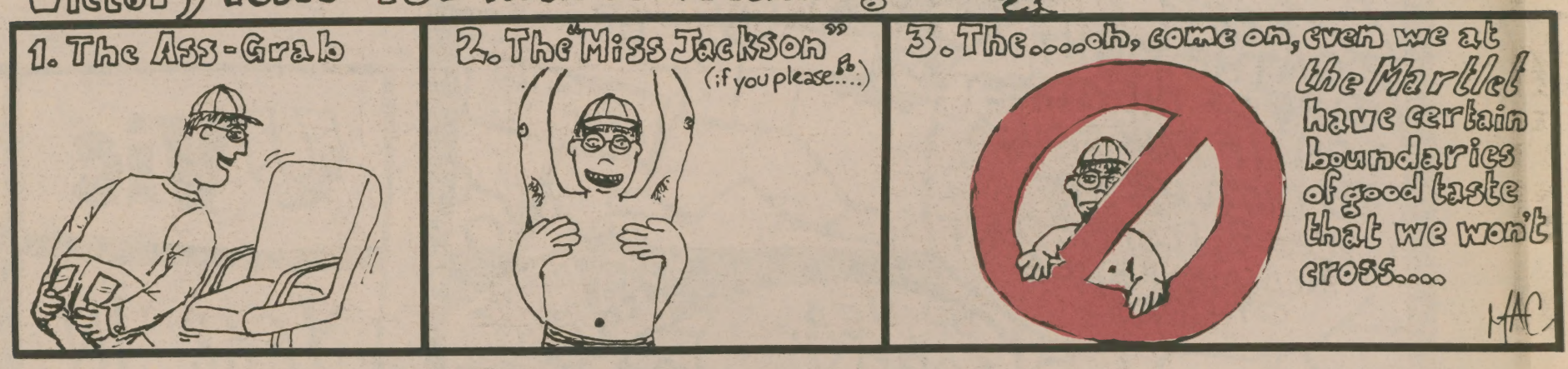
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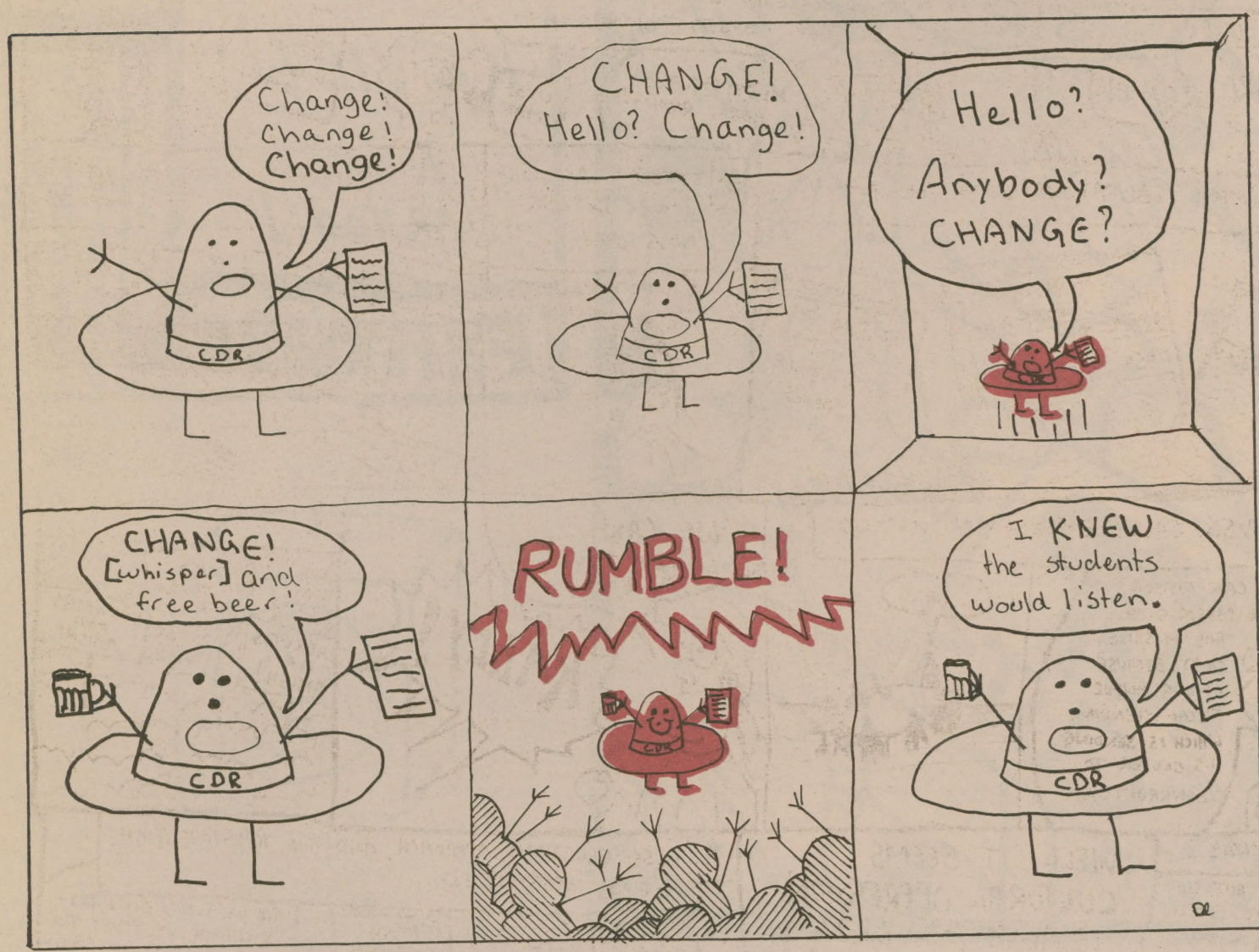

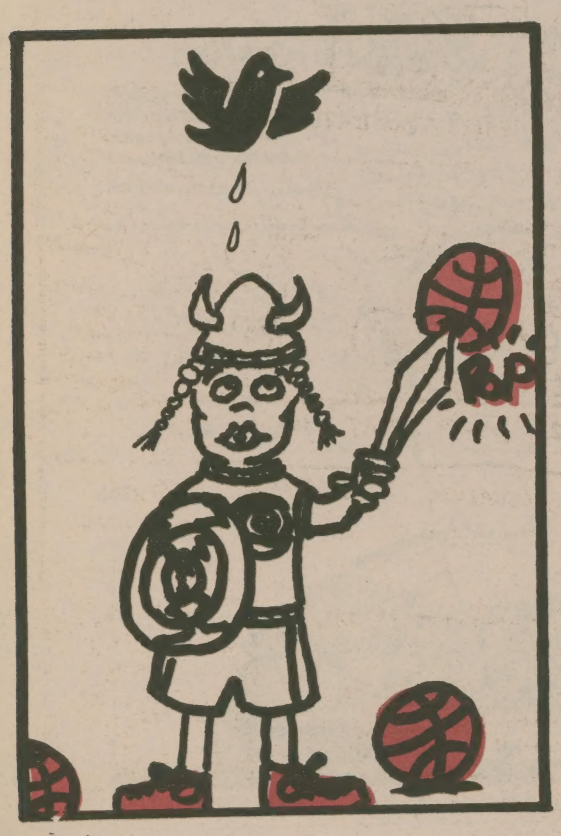

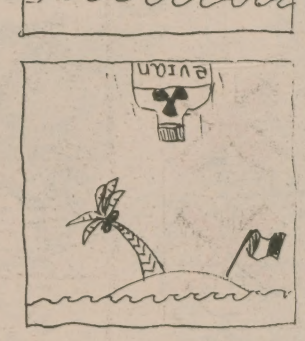

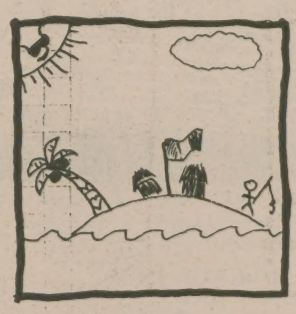

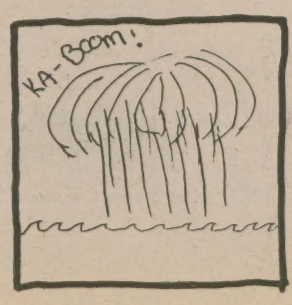

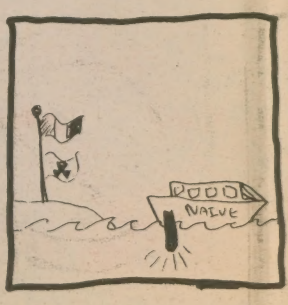

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UVIC: YEAR IN REVIEW (FICTIONAL)

– BY ANDREW "LAWSUIT" MUSGRAVE

1 MEETING WITH DEEP THROAT JR.

NAIVE UVSS DIRECTOR AT LARGE

PSST!

WHAT?

"BOB", MY FRIEND'S FRIEND'S COUSIN, WAS CALLED A DOLT BY HIS BOSS AT THE ACME BUTTON FACTORY.

SO?

DEEP THROAT JR.

PHEW!

"BOB"... IS AMISH.

GASP!

2 UVSS MEETING HEARS ABOUT "BOB".

THIS IS YET ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF PATRIARCHAL RACIST CULTURAL "SYSTEM" OPPRESSION BY MEN!

WE MUST FIGHT FOR BOB'S RIGHTS!

OKIE DOKIE.

UVSS MAN

SOON-TO-RETIRE UVSS WOMAN

OH, YOU JUST HAVE TO BE JOKING.

3 CAMPUS PUBLICATIONS COVER THE NEWS!

MARTLET
UVSS EXPLODES

STADIUM
UVIC'S SPORTS & ONLY SPORTS PUBLICATION
UVSS EXPLODES

THE BAG
DARTH VADER HAS BABIES

4 OFFBEAT ACTUALLY THINKS THE WHOLE THING OVER...

SOMETHING JUST DOESN'T FIT...

5 UVIC CAMPUS GETS POLITICAL. (big surprise)

DON'T BUY ACME BUTTONS!

ACME SUX! FIGHT FOR AMISH RIGHTS

6 UVSS CALLS EMERGENCY MEETING

OK, WE CAN EITHER FACE THE MUSIC OVER THIS MASSIVE DEBT BECAUSE OF OUR AWFUL FISCAL SPENDING WHICH IS SENDING US CLOSER TO BANKRUPTCY...

...OR...

...WE CAN RALLY! RALLY!

7 RALLY GETS GOING

QUEERS FOR AMISH RIGHTS!

ATHLETES FOR AMISH!

ENGINEERS FOR AMISH!

AT FELICITA'S...

I'M SORRY, BUT WE CAN'T HAVE PEOPLE IN IF THEY'RE UNDER THE AGE OF—

BOUNCER

WELL, IT SEEMS CULTURAL OPPRESSION IS ALIVE AND WELL AT UVIC!

BOO! BOO! HISS!

8 UVSS ELECTIONS APPROACH, AND THE RELATIVE RIGHT GETS MOBILIZED...

WE CAN'T ALLOW THE LEFT TO ALWAYS GET THEIR WAY!

PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST!
UVSS ELECTIONS

THE UVSS HAS BEEN DISTRACTING US FROM THE REAL ISSUES LIKE SCHOOL SPIRIT!

AMISH MUST DIE!

IT IS TIME...TO TAKE OVER THE UVSS!

SIEG HEIL!

YIPPEE!

YAY!

WOO HOO!

9 OFFBEAT FINDS THE TRUTH...

WHAT THE #@!$? IS AN AMISH PERSON DOING WORKING AT A BUTTON FACTORY?

10 ALAS, IT IS ALREADY TOO LATE...

DON'T BE RACIST! VOTE PROGRESSIVE THINKERS

WOW! SHE'S HOT! BETTER VOTE FOR HER!

YUP!

TEE-HEE!

VOTE FOR PROGRESSIVE THINKERS

LIKE, WHO ARE THE AMISH?

RIP! RIP! RIP!

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

11 JUST WHEN THE DEBATES GET HEATED...

AND EVERYONE KNOWS THE FRATS HAVE BEEN ANTI-AMISH FROM DAY ONE!

AMISH RIGHTS

UM... EXCUSE ME...

12 DEEP THROAT JR. APPEARS!

ACTUALLY, I LIED. "BOB'S" NOT AMISH. HE'S ANGLICAN. AND "BOB'S" REAL NAME IS CHRISTINA.

I KNOW ALL THERE IS 2 KNOW... ABOUT THE CRYING GAME

13 UVIC GOES INTO POLITICAL SHOCK! NOBODY ESCAPES UNSCATHED! BOTH LIBERALS AND CONSERVATIVES! THE LEFT AND THE RIGHT! POLITICAL OPPORTUNISTS AND POLITICAL OPPORTUNISTS!

GROANNNN...

UNHH... MEDIC!

ALL THIS FUSS, OVER A WOMAN!

WAIT A SEC, AREN'T ANGLICANS A WORTHY CAUSE?

GO TO HELL YOU BIGOT!

ALL... A LIE...

FOLLOW THE MONEY.

SHUT UP.

NEVER THE END.

Uisce Beatha sans fiddle are mellow, tortured artistes

by Mike Chilton

Uisce Beatha
The Limit
March 22

Living in a Cuckoo Clock
Uisce Beatha
Independent
1996

Nova Scotia's best unsung Celtic rock band, Uisce Beatha (pronounced ISH-KA BA-HA), made its return to Victoria for the first time in almost a year at the Limit last Friday.

This time around, the band is obviously more popular, as the capacity crowd indicated.

They played two sets and an encore, and once again they blew the roof off the joint.

Uisce Beatha played with no opening act, just as they did last time they were here. They played two sets and an encore, and once again they blew the roof off the joint.

This time, however, the Maritime band seemed to be missing a little something. It wasn't until the second set that I figured out what it was: the regular fiddle player had been replaced by a near-average electric guitar player. With that one change, the band dynamic shifted quite noticeably.

The song selection was wide-ranging and quite entertaining: a little something from their self-titled debut, a little bit from their second album, *Voice of the Voyager*, some stuff from their new ep, *Living in a Cuckoo Clock*, as well as some rare material.

High-points of the show were the performances of "Boys' Night Out" and "Drinkin' With the Lord", which were performed at the end of the first and second sets respectively.

I wish Uisce Beatha could have kept their tortured artiste complex out of their music and just kept it up with the feel-good folk tunes.

After these highs, the encore seemed anti-climactic.

As for the new release *Living in a Cuckoo Clock*, this CD definitely does not compare to *Voice of the Voyager*, which contained the two highlight songs from the show.

Living in a Cuckoo Clock sees Uisce Beatha taking a decidedly moody, depressing and pensive turn — not what one would expect from a couple of good-old party boys.

Uisce Beatha's transition from a good-time party band to moody, mature men on this release would not bother me so much if they had at least kept that fun Celtic edge to their music.

As it is now, *Living in a Cuckoo Clock* offers a steady stream of a half-dozen country-influenced pop-rock songs with declining folk edge. If you take these songs at face value, they're great songs, particularly the rather lonely-sounding "Letters" — "..did laughter and lust build a wall between us..." — and the ominous rock/folk tune "Robbie." The cover of the Paul Weller song "Boy About Town" is not bad.

Unfortunately, this music has all been made before, and in some cases much better. I wish Uisce Beatha could have kept their tortured artiste complex out of their music and just kept it up with the feel-good folk tunes.

To sum up, the show was okay and the new CD *Living in a Cuckoo Clock* is average, but if you're a fan of the old Uisce Beatha material, it'll probably be a coin toss to decide if you'll like it or not. ❑

Creative, inspired tracks pay tribute to Nelson

by Adrienne Mercer

Twisted Willie
Various
Justice Records
1996

The lyrics haven't changed; they are inspired, heart-wrenching, and unmistakably country. But this is not the Willie Nelson that left children of the 80s scrunched into the corner of the family sedan, whimpering, "Turn it off, Mom! Turn it off!"

It's true, the songs of Willie Nelson all conjure images of a "lonely cowhand" or a musician whose work leaves no time for love. But despite their melancholy nature, the tracks on this album are creative, inspired, and pay an immense tribute to Nelson.

Twisted Willie has many highlights, the most notable being

"...and now I dare you to try to sing like Willie Nelson."
— Johnny Cash

"Angel Flying Too Close To The Ground," by Kelley Deal and Kris Kristofferson. Just the fact that they manage to pull this song off together is notable.

Nelson's old "Luchenbach, Texas" pal Waylon Jennings sings a haunting version of "I Never Cared For You," L7 add new dimension to the classic "Three Days," and the Presidents of the United States of America make an appearance (of course) with the ditty "Devil in a Sleepin' Bag."

Naturally, Johnny Cash couldn't leave this one alone. That he appears on this album is only fitting, but his version of "Time of the Preacher" turns a sorrowful, chilling ballad into a hopeless drone. Maybe he was drunk in the studio, but given the brooding nature of the tune, his rendition sure is a shame.

Nelson is credited with being one of the first North American musicians to successfully blend country and rock, so it is fitting that this album unifies an unlikely, yet somehow perfect cross-section of artists from both genres.

The spirit of *Twisted Willie* is best expressed in the liner notes by Joe Nick Patoski: "When Nashville's most famous rebel packed his battered Martin guitar into a case and headed home, strange and exotically cool things started happening in Austin. Willie showed everyone that music is just music, labels and categories be damned." ❑

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Sourpuss charmed by Criminals' "Scooby Snacks"

by Messha-chan Grubisic

Come Find Yourself
Fun Lovin' Criminals
EMI Records

I expected to hate this CD. I expected to hear a sad and predictable clone of the Beastie Boys and House of Pain. I expected and looked forward to giving it a deservingly bad review. It looked too familiar and predictable

After listening to *Come Find Yourself* twice (once in disbelief — the second time to actually really listen to it), I knew a scathing review would have to wait for a different band.

Come Find Yourself is an entertaining listen. The music is diverse, ranging from trip hop, to a heavier Beastie Boys-ish sound in "Bear Hug," to a few surprisingly mellow track s— "We have all the time in the world" and "Methadonia."

The album has a familiar (to rap) and recognizable theme — dope and crime, with tracks such as "Scooby Snacks," "Smoke 'Em," "Bombin' the L," and "The King of New York."

The first track, "The Fun Lovin' Criminal," starts the album with excellent use of acoustic guitar and horns.

"Scooby Snacks" starts off with a sample from Pulp Fiction — "Any of you motherfuckers move..." — then moves on to "Movement of Fear" (Tones on Tail). "Scooby Snacks" was described by a new convert, Slooch, as funky and mellow Beastie Boys with entertaining lyrics such as "Runnin' around, robbin' banks, all whacked on scooby snacks."

"Bombin' the L" is one of the harder tracks, and by far one of the best. It starts with hard and repetitive guitar then goes on to sample from Lynyrd Skynyrd's "Freebird." The bass line throughout is strong and hypnotic.

Overall, *Come Find Yourself* is an excellent addition to a CD collection, especially if you're a fan of road trips — this CD was made for a summer road trip. It combines catchy, inventive and entertaining lyrics, good sampling and a sound that is not easily categorized. It was a treat to be so thoroughly entertained by this CD.

Come Find Yourself taught me a lesson too. Don't always judge a CD by its cover. ❑

• Favourite Snacks •

• Chan's Picks	- "Bear Hug" - "Bombin' the L"
• Gus' Picks	- "Smoke 'Em" - "King of New York"
• Slooch's Picks	- "Scooby Snacks" - "The Fun Lovin' Criminal"

The Posies' Jon Auer at Vertigo Saturday, March 23

Mike Boyce photo

Michael is one baad monkey

by Lucas Aykroyd

Jesus To A Child
George Michael
MCA Records
1995

Curious George must think it's bedtime.

"Jesus Like A Child," the first single from George Michael's upcoming new album, turns into a sleep-inducing drudge at 6 minutes, 50 seconds.

This ballad is a strange choice to usher the 32-year-old British superstar back into the pop mainstream. Plagued by a contract dispute with Sony, Michael hasn't done a record of originals since 1991's *Listen Without Prejudice.*

At first, the featured track on this EP promises the classic jungle-flowers ambiance of "Careless Whisper." Its failure to deliver is offset slightly by the inclusion of a live gospel version of "One More Try," the 1988 chart-topper. That performance stretches Michael's soul pipes farther than in the studio.

But an instrumental of "Older" sucks him down into the slime of Muzak.

If Michael's new album isn't livelier than this, his fans will get this monkey off their backs. ❑

Attention all Martlet staff...it's your fairy godmother.

April 4 is our close-to- world-famous ratification meeting. If you want a say in what happens in the next year, come to the 4 pm meeting. The location will be disclosed in next week's issue. Or talk to Ade, Miko, Meesha or look on the whiteboard.

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Sports shorts

compiled by Mike Chilton

Vikes women hoopsters announce recruits

The Vikes women's basketball team, who made it all the way to the CIAUs in Laval earlier this month, is hoping that the recruiting genius of head coach Kathy Shields will pay off.

Despite losing valued veteran players Audrey Dennison and Kerri-Anne Butterworth after this season, the Vikes look forward to strengthening the guard positions with the recruitment of two of BC's most highly touted high school players, Spectrum's Lindsay Brooke and St. Michael's Joanna Holdsworth.

The five-foot-four Brooke is an excellent shooting guard who has speed and agility to boot. She helped lead Spectrum to the AAA finals twice in as many years. Holdsworth is also a sharp shooting guard, who is also slight at five-foot-nine but extremely light on her feet. Holdsworth averaged 30 points per game last year with SMUS.

The two acquisitions will add considerable scoring touch to a backcourt which will also include third-year CIAU all-Canadian guard Lisa Koop.

As of Monday, more recruit acquisitions were planned but unannounced at press time.

"Pret? Allez!" BC Fencing Championships at Gordon Head March 23 and 24.

Andrew "Lumpy" Lupton photo

Dr. Neil Paterson
Party Leader, Natural Law Party

Invitation to the Youth to Create a Unified Canada through Yogic Flying

Yogic Flyers experience bubbling bliss, while creating peace and harmony in society

Those who want an alternative approach to preserving the unity of Canada are invited to learn Yogic Flying and experience bubbling bliss while creating harmony in national consciousness

The result of the October referendum and the growing disharmony in the country have made it clear that we need a new approach to create unity and harmony in Canada. During the 1993 federal election, the Natural Law Party offered a profound new approach to governing, which would create a new Canada: a strong, united, harmonious nation with a perfect government capable of satisfying the diverse needs of all Canadians. Had Canadians chosen to vote for the Natural Law Party we would not be facing our current crisis.

Strengthening the Unifying Power of Government

The Natural Law Party is not a political party whose policy it is to depreciate the government in any way. However, it is clear that the unifying power of the federal government is weak. If our leaders are to succeed in their laudable efforts to preserve our country then we need to strengthen unity and harmony not only in the government, but throughout the whole nation.

New Approach to Unity

Therefore I am inviting the young people of Canada to not leave the future of the country solely in the hands of the government but to join me in taking a new approach to preserving the unity of the country based on knowledge and application of profound principles of Natural Law.

Natural Law Upholds Unity and Diversity

The ability to maintain unity and harmony while satisfying the diverse needs of the individual belongs to Natural Law alone. It is Natural Law that administers the infinite diversity of our universe while maintaining perfect order and harmony. Natural Law always upholds both unity and diversity.

Yogic Flying Enlivens Unifying Power

The Natural Law Party offers a scientifically proven program—Yogic Flying, an advanced program of Transcendental Meditation —to enliven the unifying power of Natural Law in our nation.

Since our government is just the reflection of the quality of national consciousness, a more coherent national consciousness produced by the Yogic Flyers will strengthen the unifying power of the government and give it the ability to satisfy the needs and aspirations of every individual and cultural group in the nation.

Reducing Collective Stress

By enlivening Natural Law in collective consciousness, Yogic Flying creates an influence of harmony that dissolves overall stress and tension in society.

Large groups practising Yogic Flying would immediately dissolve the stress, discord and divisiveness in national consciousness. The result would be increased cooperation and peacefulness and reductions in conflicts and the numerous social problems that arise from built-up tension in society.

Problems Due to Violation of Natural Law

All problems of society are caused by the violation of Natural Law by the whole population. This creates negative trends such as crime, ill health, economic stagnation, breakdown of the family and even cultural tensions and disharmony.

Every Canadian must be educated to live in accord with Natural Law. Yogic Flying brings support of Natural Law to the individual and, when practised in groups, will restore positive and harmonious trends throughout the country.

Discovery of Total Intelligence of Nature in Human Physiology

Recent discoveries in the field of physiology have revealed that human physiology contains within it the total potential of Natural Law and that Yogic Flying enlivens this total intelligence of nature inherent in the human physiology. I encourage all Canadians, young and old, to study this remarkable discovery by Tony Nader, M.D., Ph.D., in his newly published book, entitled, *Human Physiology: Expression of Veda and the Vedic Literature.* (To order, see below.)

Appeal to Young People

I appeal to the young people of Canada to become Yogic Flyers and experts in Natural Law because the future of our nation is in their hands. They should not leave it to the current leadership of the country to resolve Canada's problems as that could mean that the country as we know it will no longer exist. Let us not allow this situation to deteriorate even further. Take action now to ensure a bright future for yourselves and our dear Canada.

Appeal to Parents

I also want to make an appeal to all parents, who do not want their children to suffer in life, to support them in taking up this science and art of creating harmony in our nation. Yogic Flying integrates mind and body and unfolds the creative genius within everyone. By practising Yogic Flying your children will enjoy growing happiness and peace in their own lives and will serve to preserve this wonderful nation that you have worked so hard to build.

Strong Unified Canada

Here is a call to the young people of Canada—the future leaders of the nation—to wake up now and take effective action, or to continue living in uncertainty about your future and the future of our country. With the support of Natural Law you can fulfill your dream of a strong unified Canada in which all its peoples find fulfillment for a happy, prosperous life and at the same time feel secure in the integrity of their own language and cultural values. Canada can be a model of an ideal nation in which peoples of all races, cultures, and religions live together in peace, harmony and prosperity.

Canada Needs to be Rebuilt in Accord with Natural Law

The most ancient textbooks of Natural Law—Veda and Vedic literature—place great importance on the orientation of the entrance to a building and a country. In these texts, it is stated that a southern entrance (an entrance that faces south) is inauspicious, interferes with the support of Natural Law, and brings negative and destructive influences to the country or to the inhabitants of the building.

However, the Parliament Buildings in Ottawa have a main entrance to the south and most of our border entrances are from the south. In order for our government to be effective and to improve the good fortune of Canadians and our country as a whole, it is very important to close south entrances to Parliament and for Canadians to refrain from using any south entrances to their homes, office buildings, and towns. Unless we reconstruct our country in accord with the principles of the ancient Vedic system of building in harmony with Natural Law, problems and misfortune will continue in our government and our nation.

I invite all city planners and developers to take up this call to redress the violation of Natural Law created by improper design and construction of our homes and cities. Until now, this knowledge was not known. But now that it is available, I urge all Canadians to take advantage of these simple, but profound principles of Natural Law to ensure good health, prosperity, and good fortune for themselves and their families.

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For the Nation

- Reduced collective stress and conflict
- Strengthened national unity
- Reduced crime and violence
- Improved national economy—reduced inflation and unemployment
- Decreased drop-out rate, increased desire for higher education
- Reduction of health care costs by 50%
- Improved quality of city, provincial, and national life

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To purchase Dr. Nader's book, or a 25-minute video on Yogic Flying, call 800 255-8332

Night for campus' best athletes to shine at ceremony

by Mike Chilton

UVic's most deserving athletes and coaches were honoured in a ceremony held March 26 by UVic's Athletic and Recreational Services Department.

Awards given out at the annual ceremony ranged from those for sportsmanship to those for excelling in specific athletic endeavours.

Joan Thompson, manager of the men's Vikes basketball team, won manager of the year, which. recognizes the manager who has contributed the most to the team throughout the year.

The Robert T. Wallace Award was presented next to the rookie of the year, Vikes swimmer Christin Petelski, who excelled at the 200-metre breaststroke and the 100-metre breaststroke. Petelski won gold and silver in the respective events at the CIAUs as well as being part of the silver-winning 4x100 metre relay team at the same competition.

Dino Asproloupos took the Martlet Athletic Award, awarded to the student who has made significant contributions in the areas of service, participation, administration and community involvement. Asproloupos was recognised for his work as assistant coach with the women's volleyball team as well as for working for such causes as the Varsity Christmas Hamper, the Step for the Heart of It Campaign and fundraisers for wheelchair access on residence.

The Outstanding Female Athlete of the Year award went to second-year Vikes women's basketball guard, Lisa Koop, who snagged CIAU tournament All-Star honours, CIAU All-Canadian honours, Canada West Player of the Year, and Canada West All-Star honours in addition to being named Can West Player of the Week twice and CIAU Player of the Week once.

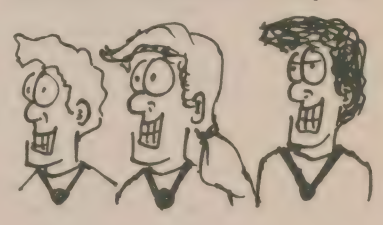
The male recipient of the Outstanding Athlete of the Year award was men's Vikes rugby member, Jason Penaluna. He was the leading scorer for the Vikes this year and was one of the top 25 players in Canada in the under-25 category.

Vikes cross-country runner Neal Beattie took the University Sport Award, which honours achievement in university competition during the current academic year. The fourth-year runner placed sixth at the CIAU Cross-Country Championships and was a first team All-Canadian. He also finished first in the Can West 1500 meters and took third in the CIAUs in the same event.

Vikes women's fourth-year basketball player and biology major, Lisa Bright, received the Provost Award for Excellence, presented to a returning level-one student athlete with the highest GPA while fulfilling the minimum requirement for Academic All-Canadian based on the previous year. Bright maintained a 7.7 GPA during the 1994-95 academic year.

This year's recipient of the President's Cup was Vikes women's field hockey player, Brenda Lannard. Lannard had garnered the Canada West MVP, took a first team All-Canadian honour and reached her season high when she was given the Sue Hoffman Award as nation-wide MVP.

The President's Cup a fourth or fifth year student athlete displaying the best combined scholastic and athletic ability.



Spring Cup both agony and ecstasy for Vikes soccer teams

by Mike Chilton

The Vikes men's and women's soccer teams celebrated the first week of spring by hosting the Spring Cup on the weekend of March 23 and 24.

Preliminary games took place all day Saturday. The men's Vikes first action of their last tournament of the season saw them edge the SFU squad 3-2. Simon Vickers scored two of the Vikes goals, with Ian Carroll scoring the deciding goal.

The women's Vikes wrapped up the first day of competition by doubling the Seattle Soccer Club 2-1, with both UVic goals coming from Roslyn Anderson.

The women's consolation round on Sunday pitted the two defeated teams from the previous day. The game saw the Seattle Soccer Club take a close goal-fest 5-4. The men's consolation match followed soon after with a match-up of cross-town rivals SFU and UBC. The SFU contingent handily took third place on the men's side with a 4-1 drubbing of the UBC T-Birds.

The afternoon saw the tournament's highlight final matches, beginning with the women's final between UBC and UVic. Unfortunately, the Vikes were no match for the stronger and more skilled UBC team. The Vikes were blanked 4-zip by the T-Birds and had to settle for second on the women's side.

Following the loss, women's head coach Ian Bridge said, "UBC is a good team, and it really wasn't our day...we dropped our heads after the second goal."

The men's final marked both the end of the day and the finalé of the tournament, and UVic did not disappoint. They played a close and tough game against the semi-pro Everett Big Foot from Washington. The lone goal of the final was scored by Vickers at the 70-minute mark. His third goal of the tournament brought his team-leading season goal total to 20.

"We played an extremely well-disciplined game against a team which plays a South-American style of game which consists of a lot of holding," said Vikes head coach Bruce Wilson.

The Vikes gained an early edge twenty minutes into the first half when Everett was forced to play with a bench of only 10 players after a Big Foot player was ejected for elbowing Vikes captain Maurizio Conforti in the nose. Goal tender Scott Samuelson made two difficult early saves to earn the goose egg.

"It was an excellent way to finish the season," said Wilson of the two wins that kept the Vikes undefeated in the second half of the season.

The victory marked the sixth time in eight Spring Cups that the UVic men's team took the tournament.

The UVic men now look forward to next season, which will see the team lose only two rostered players.

The men's preseason will begin August 15 at Centennial Stadium.

Meanwhile, the women's team will lose eight players, but according to Bridge, the twelve returnees are eager for their preseason, which begins at Centennial Stadium on August 24.

Bridge joins on with Nats

by Mike Chilton

Women Vikes soccer coach, Ian Bridge, has finally hit that pinnacle that most sports coaches dream of reaching — coaching a national team.

After six years of coaching the women's soccer squad, Bridge was recently approached by Canada's national women's soccer team coach, Neil Turnbull, and offered the position of assistant coach with the team.

Bridge has impressive coaching and playing credentials, which helped Turnbull in choosing him as his assistant. Bridge is a former national team member himself, who played pro soccer with the Seattle Sounders and Vancouver Whitecaps in the North American Soccer League (NASL), and most recently played on FC La Chaux-de-Fonds of the Swiss National League, up until 1990, when he got the head coaching job with UVic.

"It's just a great situation for myself and UVic," said Bridge. "I will be coaching the best female players in the country."

Bridge continued to say that since he will see so many talented young players come through the National program, the possibility of finding fresh talent for the Vikes may prove to be a valuable perk.

Turnbull, Bridge's new superior, is a product of the famed National Coaching Institute. He got the position of head coach of the national squad last month, taking over from Sylvie Beliveau when she left the job due to pregnancy.

Last year, Beliveau led the women to ninth place in the eight-berth Olympic qualifying tournament. They were edged out by the team from Japan.

The first undertaking for Bridge, Turnbull and the National Team will be training camp in Montreal starting in May. At the training camp, the team will see international action against the US, China and Japan.

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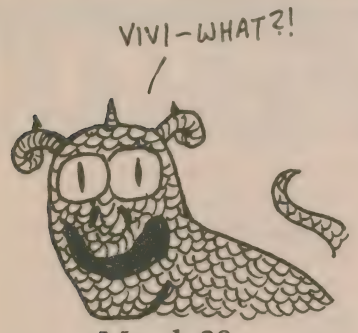

• March 28 •

Dr. Richard Shine, Biology Professor from University of Sidney, Australia, will speak on **"The Evolution of Viviparity in Reptiles"** MacLaurin D288 at 3pm.

The UVic Latin American Association presents guest speaker Dr. Richardo Navarro from El Salvador. He will give a talk entitled **"Militarism and the Environment"** at Maclaurin D101, 3:30pm. Everyone welcome.

• March 29 •

"Queers and Cuts Coffeehouse" an evening focusing on how federal cuts will affect lesbians, transgender folx, bisexuals and gays. Fernwood Community Association, sliding scale $0-$7. At 1923 Fernwood, 477-7644.

Dr. Mike Konishi, Professor of Behavioural Biology From Caltech, Pasedena California, will speak on **"How the Owl Tracks its Prey: Behaviors and Brain Mechanisms,"** Cunningham 146, 3pm.

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Amnesty International's campus group presents **"Five Myths About the Death Penalty"** Friday, noon, in front of the McPherson Library.

• March 30 •

"Anti Capitalist Festival" Realize a world free from oppression. Music, workshops, a free store and more. Centennial Square, 11am. Call 477-7644 for info.

Motorcycle Training courses offered by the Vancouver Island Safety Council commence March 30 and April 9. For more info, or to register, phone 478-9584

Cafe Havana: A regular coffee house on the last Saturday of each month. This Friday's event features **"A view of Havana,"** a slide-show presentation by two local residents recently returned from Cuba; live music by Gone Clear – 1923 Fernwood 8-11 pm, $5/$3.

The Early Music Society presents **"Consort of the Islands"** under the joint musical direction of Ingrid Mathews and Byron Schenkman. The concert will include works by Bach, Handel, Elisabeth Jacqet de la Guerre and Leclair. 8pm St. John's church, 1611 Quadra. Tickets are available at Munro's books, Musical Friends, and at the door, $7/$14. Info 592-6582.

Performance Poetry Reading followed by the music of Cozy Bones. Doors open at 8pm; $5 students, $7 others. SUB multipurpose room.

• March 31 •

Action planning for **The Day of Action**. Call Action Victoria 385-5323 to join in.

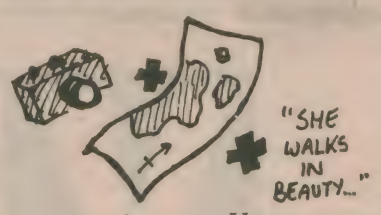
• April 1 •

Day of Action. Join us for a nation-wide day of action against Bill C-76 and the cuts to social programs. Victoria's event will include "a tour of wealth," a walking tour of the multinationals, the rich and famous in downtown Victoria. Call Action Victoria, 385-5323, to join in.

• Ongoing •

Look '96 South Island's regional art show, an exciting potpourri of visual arts March 16-24 1996, 12-8pm at Sanscha Hall, Beacon Ave., Sidney. Works from this show will be chosen for the BC Festival of Fine Arts. Free admission and Parking.

Canada-Taiwan scholarship program – The Taipei Economic and cultural office in Canada is offering full scholarships to Canadians to undertake Mandarin language training in Taiwan in the 96/97 academic year. **April 10** is the application deadline. For info contact Ms. Susanne Morrisette, Administrative Assistant to International programs, Associate of Universities & Colleges of Canada, Rm. 600, 350 Albert St., Ottawa, Ont., K1R 1B1. Ph. 613-563-1236. FAX 613-563-9745. E-mail smorriss@VCC.ca



Art Apart. Vancouver artist Nancy Yakimoski and Saskatchewan artist Richelle D Funk have collaborated on an intriguing, innovative & interactive mixed media (photos/maps/poetry) exhibit on display in the Graduate Student Centre lounge until April 26.

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Primitive Lifeskills Ancient fire, shelter, tools, awareness etc. Instructor Wes Geitz was taught by Tom Brown. Info: 478-3110.

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Late night at the Planet Theatre. Top Floor Eaton's Centre. Spilt Milk Comedy Theatre 10pm. Fridays. Call 479-3374 for reservations. $5/$8.

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STOLEN: Classical guitar built by Joe Poshek. Taken from the music school, February 12 at approximately 4pm. Any information about this heinous crime would be appreciated. Call *the Martlet*, 721-8360 .

LOST: My mother's tiny gold watch/metal expanding band, in SUB washroom during international woman's week (March 4-8). Sentimental Value. Reward. 721-9328

I FOUND your jacket at Multipurpose Rm. in SUB March 8. 380-7949.

Psssssssssst

• Spots I can't miss: the diner in Marysville with the elbow-deep lemon meringue pie; that lake in the Oregon-coast sand dunes; Abby's new place, in Marin County. And somewhere there's a tacky tourist ranch in memory of *Bonanza* (I went with my family when I was seven). If we find it, do you think there will be anywhere to lock our bikes?

•Now's the time for Newfoundland? Ready when you are.

• cherise, your bed faces the wrong way. better fix it fast.

• you are my sunshine, my only sunshine, you make happy when skies are grey.

• Thanks for the ride Jen!
-The Shank

• Carl, you crazy-haired rap master. May your 'b' day be as happy as a clam on suummer day.

• Seagull, you sunny 28 year old. we all hope you have a great day and i hope you get a helmut for your birthday. xoxo

• i spy with my little eye something that has 4 legs, pink tiny eyes and generally terrifies people. you must have escaped the trap, at last for now. want some cheese?

• brown i could have sworn. but then again i always do.

• kiya, the goddess of darkness danced with glee with her wonder dog. the dog wanted to tango or at least waltz, but pesto was no where in sight. oh well, one of these days.

• I was standing at the phone booth alone with my thoughts. She tapped me on the shoulder said they were they were playing our song on the P.A. I shrugged and daydreamed of of a steaming hoagie. Get better soon, Shon.

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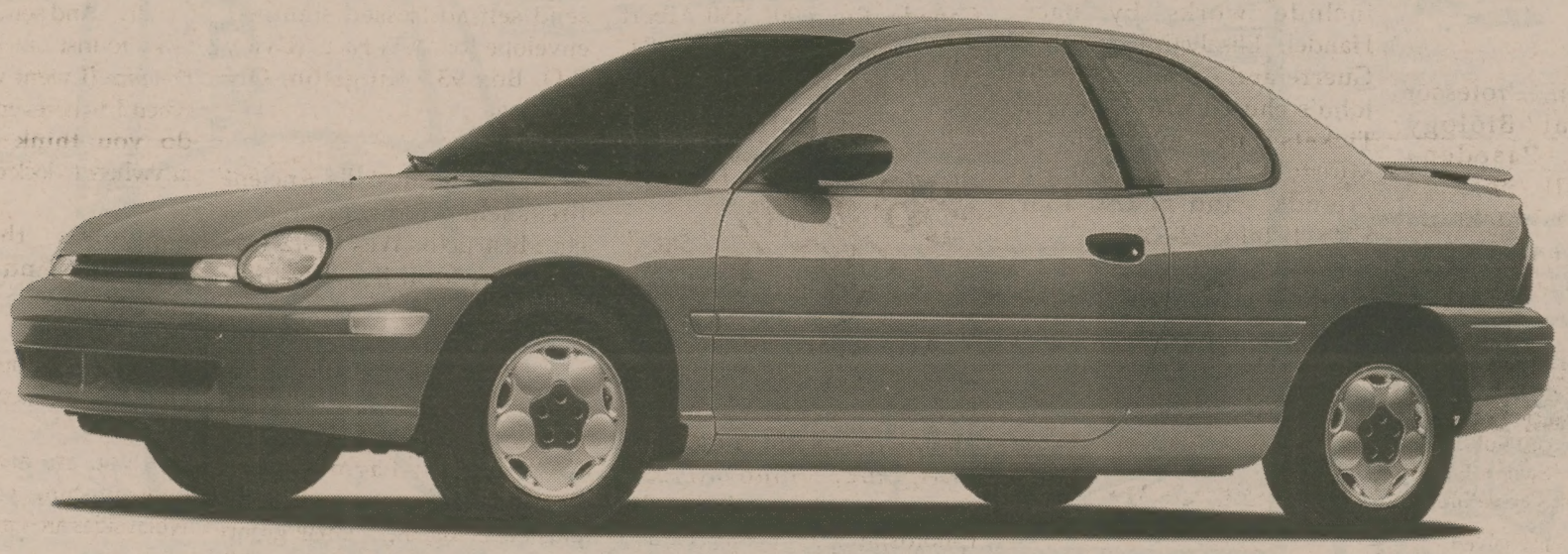

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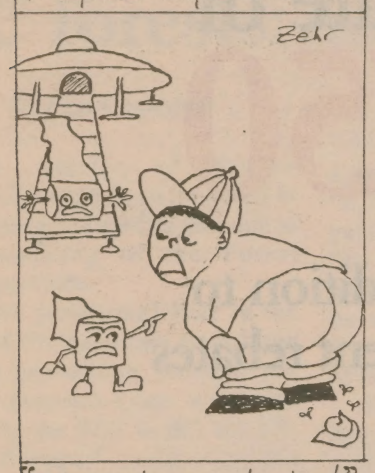
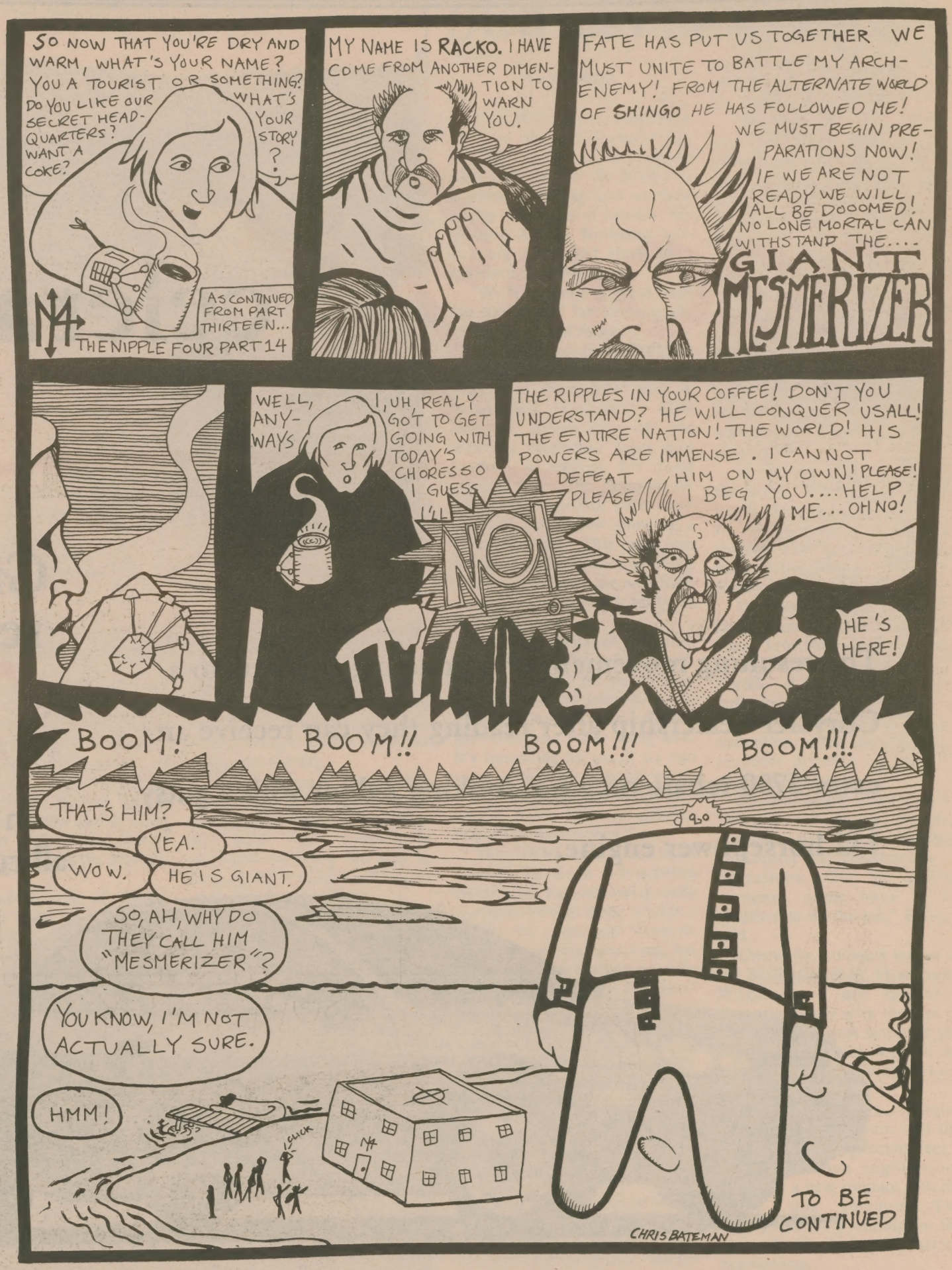


"Take us to your leader!"


SO NOW THAT YOU'RE DRY AND WARM, WHAT'S YOUR NAME? YOU A TOURIST OR SOMETHING? DO YOU LIKE OUR SECRET HEAD-QUARTERS? WANT A COKE? WHAT'S YOUR STORY?
AS CONTINUED FROM PART THIRTEEN...
THE NIPPLE FOUR PART 14
MY NAME IS RACKO. I HAVE COME FROM ANOTHER DIMENSION TO WARN YOU.
FATE HAS PUT US TOGETHER WE MUST UNITE TO BATTLE MY ARCH-ENEMY! FROM THE ALTERNATE WORLD OF SHINGO HE HAS FOLLOWED ME!
WE MUST BEGIN PREPARATIONS NOW! IF WE ARE NOT READY WE WILL ALL BE DOOOMED! NO LONE MORTAL CAN WITHSTAND THE....
GIANT MESMERIZER
WELL, ANYWAYS
I, UH, REALY GOT TO GET GOING WITH TODAY'S CHORES SO I GUESS I'LL
NO!
THE RIPPLES IN YOUR COFFEE! DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND? HE WILL CONQUER USALL! THE ENTIRE NATION! THE WORLD! HIS POWERS ARE IMMENSE. I CANNOT DEFEAT HIM ON MY OWN! PLEASE! PLEASE I BEG YOU.... HELP ME... OH NO!
HE'S HERE!
BOOM!
BOOM!!
BOOM!!!
BOOM!!!!
THAT'S HIM?
YEA.
WOW.
HE IS GIANT.
SO, AH, WHY DO THEY CALL HIM "MESMERIZER"?
YOU KNOW, I'M NOT ACTUALLY SURE.
HMM!
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TO BE CONTINUED
CHRIS BATEMAN

WHEW, GOTTA LOVE THOSE LAST-MINUTE AD CHANGES...

HEY KIDZ! IT'S THE GSTAFF BOX

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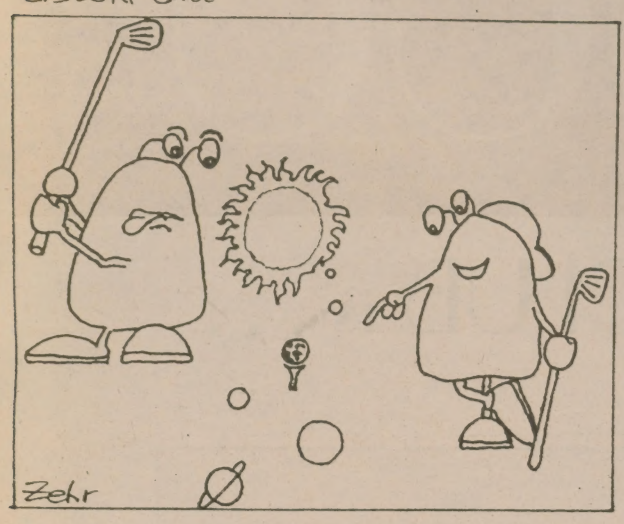
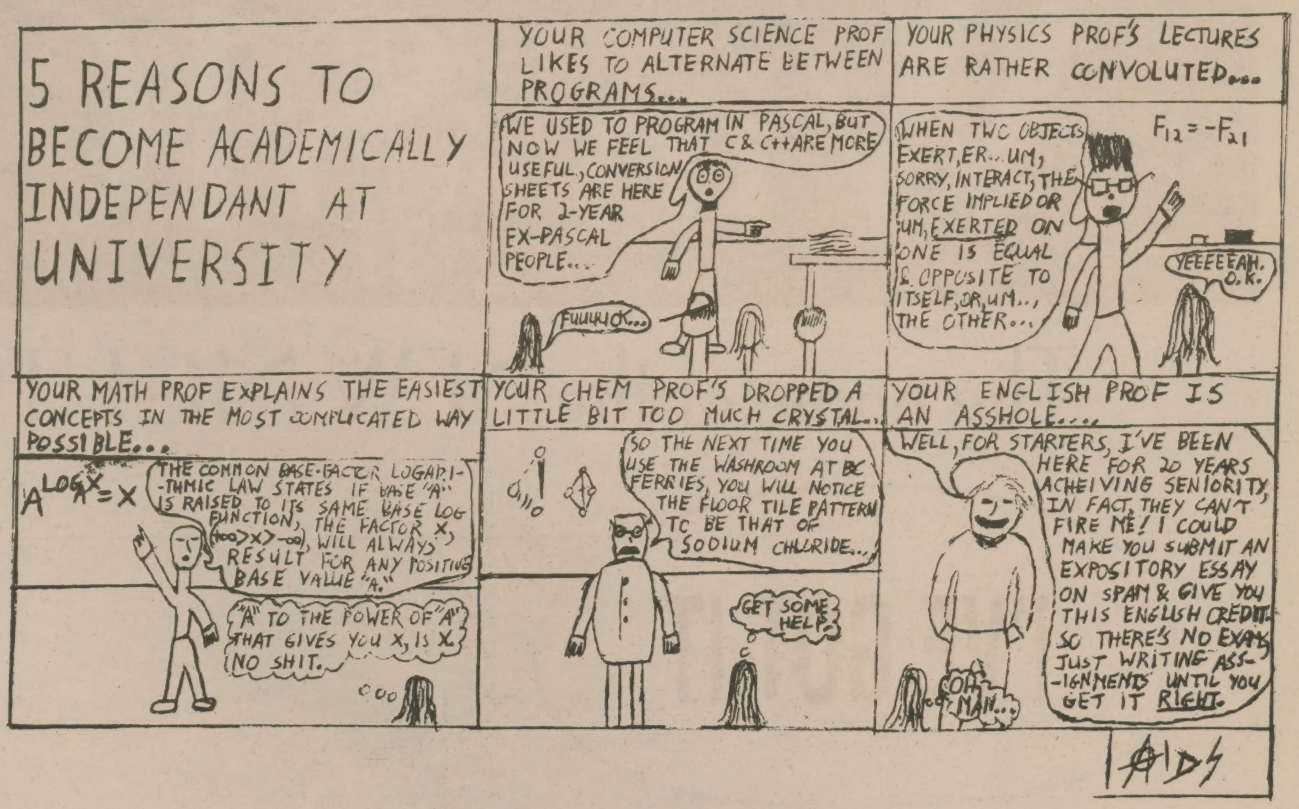
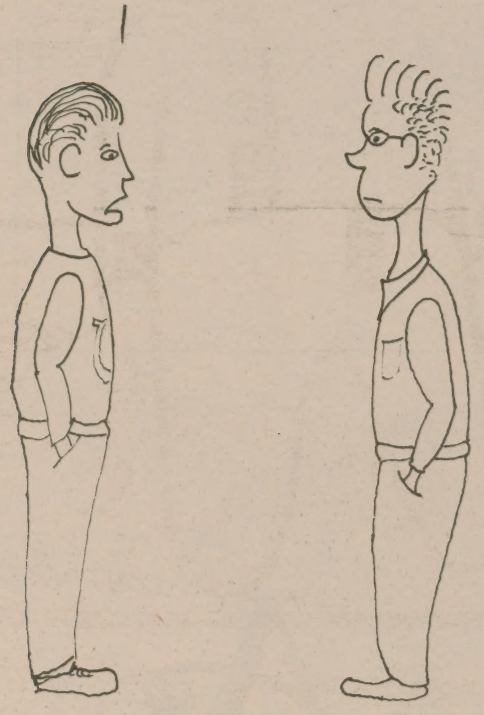
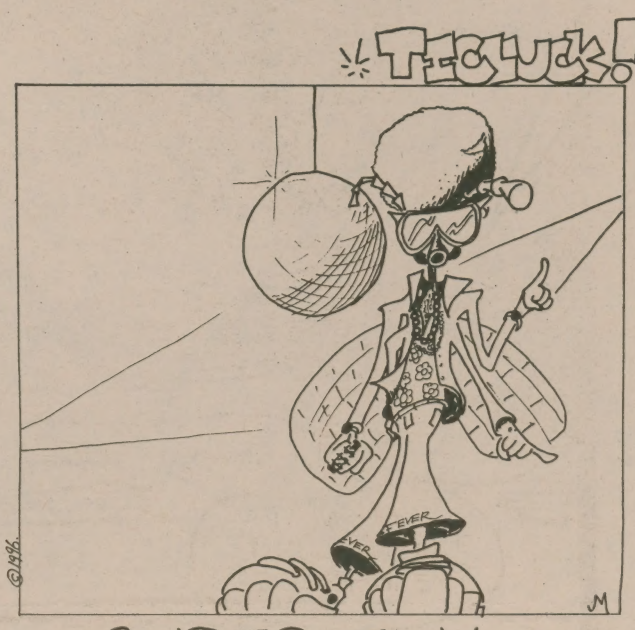


"Go on Herb, nail that sucker!"

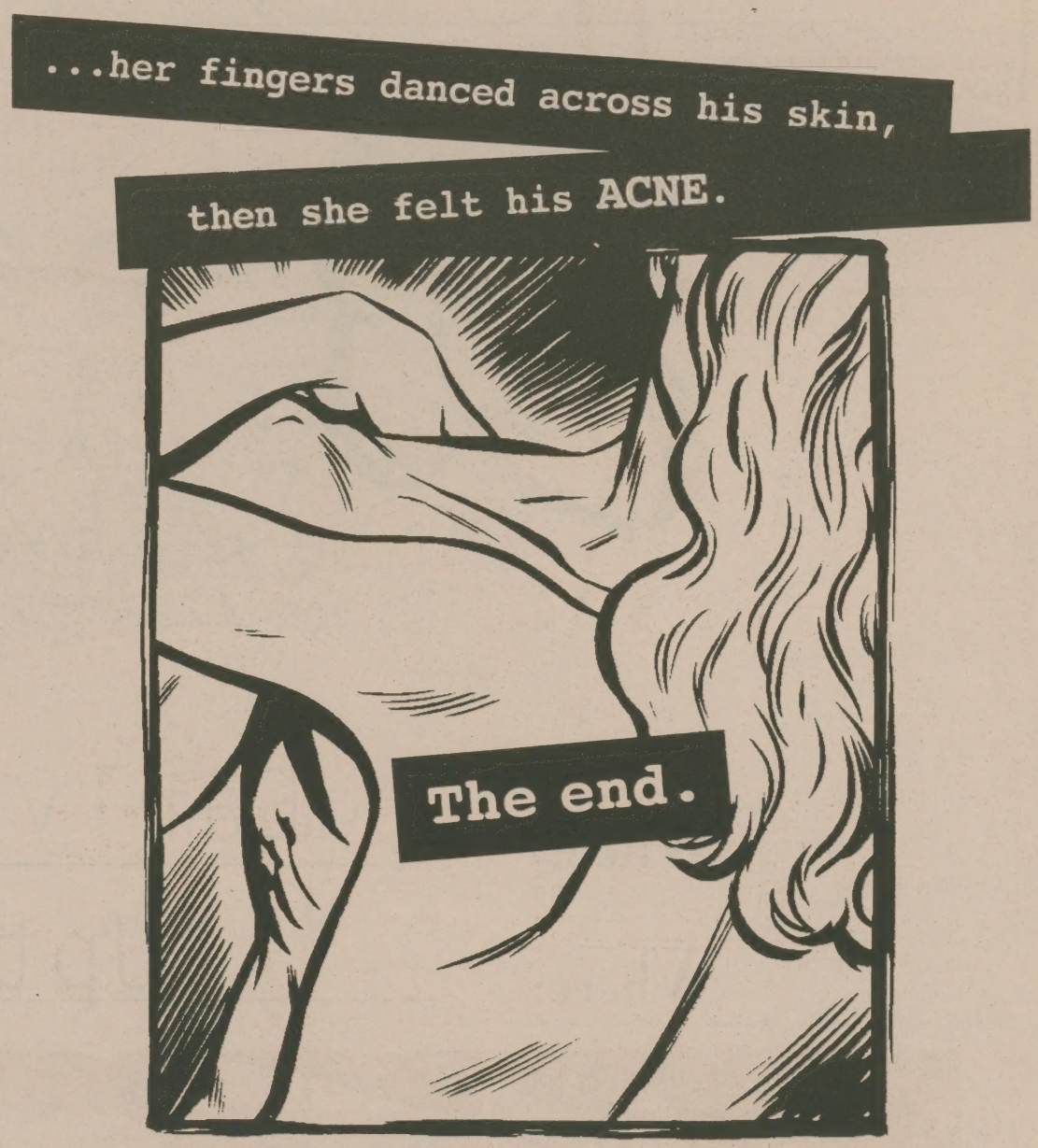

5 REASONS TO BECOME ACADEMICALLY INDEPENDANT AT UNIVERSITY
YOUR COMPUTER SCIENCE PROF LIKES TO ALTERNATE BETWEEN PROGRAMS...
WE USED TO PROGRAM IN PASCAL, BUT NOW WE FEEL THAT C & C++ ARE MORE USEFUL, CONVERSION SHEETS ARE HERE FOR 2-YEAR EX-PASCAL PEOPLE...
FUUUUCK...
YOUR PHYSICS PROF'S LECTURES ARE RATHER CONVOLUTED...
WHEN TWO OBJECTS EXERT, ER... UM, SORRY, INTERACT, THE FORCE IMPLIED OR UM, EXERTED ON ONE IS EQUAL & OPPOSITE TO ITSELF, OR, UM.., THE OTHER...
F12 = -F21
YEEEEEAH. O.K.
YOUR MATH PROF EXPLAINS THE EASIEST CONCEPTS IN THE MOST COMPLICATED WAY POSSIBLE...
A^(LOG_A X) = X
THE COMMON BASE-FACTOR LOGARITHMIC LAW STATES IF BASE "A" IS RAISED TO ITS SAME BASE LOG FUNCTION, THE FACTOR X, (∞>X>-∞), WILL ALWAYS RESULT FOR ANY POSITIVE BASE VALUE "A."
"A" TO THE POWER OF "A" THAT GIVES YOU X, IS X. NO SHIT.
YOUR CHEM PROF'S DROPPED A LITTLE BIT TOO MUCH CRYSTAL...
SO THE NEXT TIME YOU USE THE WASHROOM AT BC FERRIES, YOU WILL NOTICE THE FLOOR TILE PATTERN TO BE THAT OF SODIUM CHLORIDE...
GET SOME HELP.
YOUR ENGLISH PROF IS AN ASSHOLE....
WELL, FOR STARTERS, I'VE BEEN HERE FOR 20 YEARS ACHEIVING SENIORITY, IN FACT, THEY CAN'T FIRE ME! I COULD MAKE YOU SUBMIT AN EXPOSITORY ESSAY ON SPAM & GIVE YOU THIS ENGLISH CREDIT. SO THERE'S NO EXAMS, JUST WRITING ASS-IGNMENTS UNTIL YOU GET IT RIGHT.
OH MAN...
A!D$

I knew it was going to be one of those days when I buttoned my shirt into my underwear and gave myself a Wedgie when I stood up.





Tarzan, Mite of the Bung-hole



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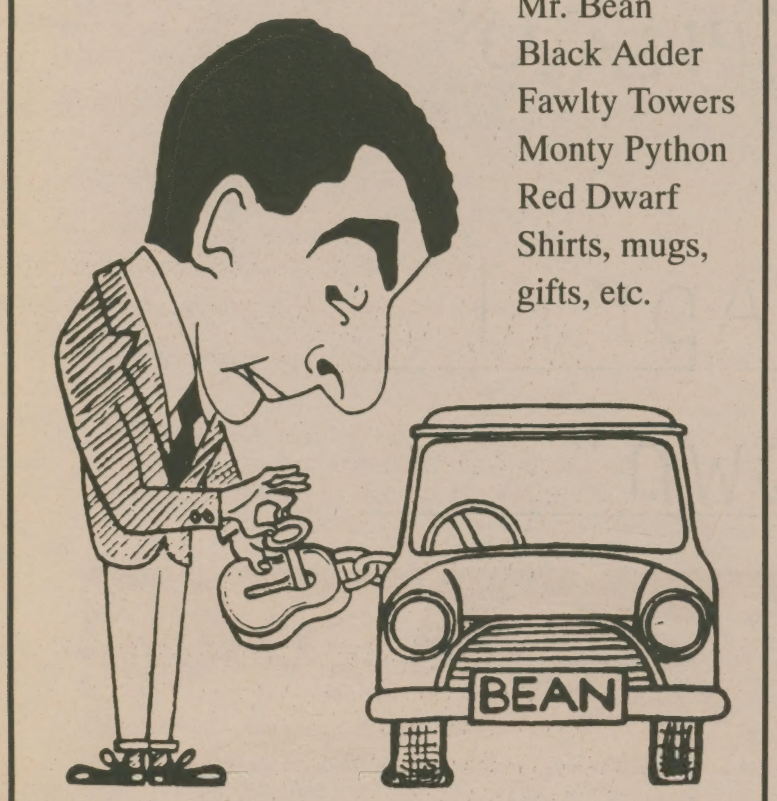

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